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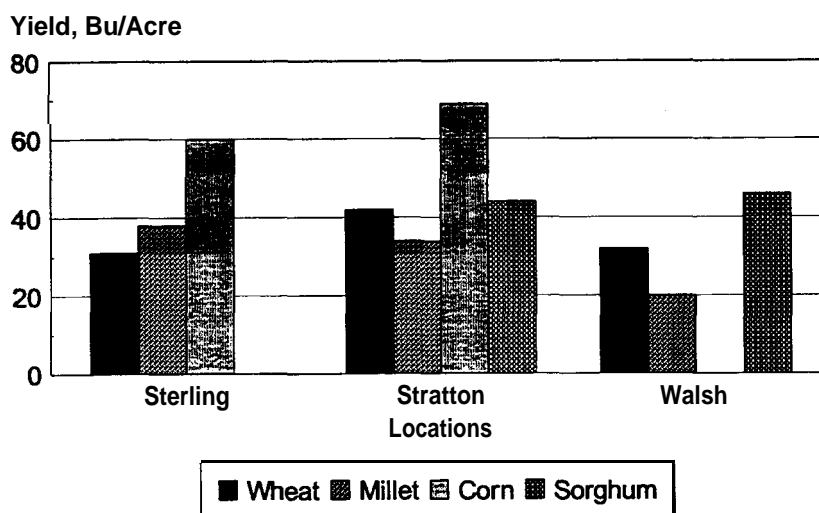
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## RESEARCH APPLICATION SUMMARY

We established the Dryland Agroecosystem Project in the fall of 1985 and the frost crop year was 1986. Grain yields, stover yields, crop residue amounts, soil water measurements, and crop nutrient content are reported annually in technical bulletins. This summary updates our findings for the 10 year period.

The wheat-corn-fallow (3 year) and wheat-corn-millet-fallow (4 year) rotations have increased average annualized grain production by 72% compared to wheat-fallow. Yields are annualized to account for the nonproductive fallow year in rotation comparisons. Economic analyses show this to be a 25-40% increase in net annual income for the three year rotation in northeastern Colorado. However, in southeastern Colorado the economic outcome has not been as favorable. The three year wheat-sorghum-fallow rotation, using stubble mulch tillage in the fallow prior to wheat planting, netted about the same amount of money as reduced till wheat-fallow. New herbicide programs with fewer expensive residual materials are being tested and have showed some promise. No-till management allows more water storage than conventional tillage, but it also costs more to control the weeds with herbicides used at labeled rates than by tillage. By inserting summer crops like corn, grain sorghum, and annual forages into the rotation the additional water stored is converted to additional production that results in more profit than with wheat-fallow.

Annual yield fluctuations concern growers because they cannot tolerate wide swings in gross income. Stable yields translate into stable income levels in their operations. Figure 1 provides a summary of 10 years of yield history for wheat, corn, sorghum, and proso millet at our three study locations. Wheat has been grown all 10 years at all sites, corn every year at Sterling, and sorghum every year at Walsh. Other crops have been grown for shorter periods of time. Complete data sets for each crop are available in previously published bulletins (See reference section).



**Figure 1. Grain yields averaged over soil positions and 10 years of production for each location.**

We included all years where yield losses occurred due to hail, early and late freezes, insect pests, and herbicidal carryover. Fluctuations in corn and sorghum yields are of most interest because they represent the highest input crops. Corn yields have averaged 60 bu/A (Ranging from 14 to 97 bu/A) at Sterling and 69 bu/A (Ranging from 37 to 95 bu/A) at Stratton. These averages include the disastrous yields recorded in 1994. Grain sorghum was produced at Stratton for 4 years and yielded “ an average of 44 bu/A (Ranging from 20 to 63 bu/A), but corn has averaged 69 bu/A for the past 6 years, making it a better choice for this environment. At Walsh grain sorghum yields have averaged . 46 bu/A (Ranging from 27 to 74 bu/A), including the results from the very dry 1995 season.

Producers in northeastern Colorado have been adopting the more intensive cropping systems at an increasing rate since 1990. Since corn is one of the principle crops used in more intensive systems, its acreage can be used as an index of adoption rate by producers (See table below). Area planted to dryland corn has increased from about 20,000 acres per year in years previous to 1990 to over 95,000 acres in 1995. Data for sunflower and proso millet in similar rotations are not available for evaluation, but individual producers report larger acreages of these crops as well.

Dryland Corn Acreage in Eight Northeastern Colorado Counties from 1971 to 1995<sup>1</sup>.

| YEAR        | ACRES         |
|-------------|---------------|
| 1971-1988   | 21,200        |
| <b>1989</b> | <b>27,000</b> |
| 1990        | 26,000        |
| 1991        | 32,500        |
| 1992        | 48,500        |
| 1993        | 79,000        |
| 1994        | 92,000        |
| 1995        | 95,000        |

<sup>1</sup>Data from Colorado Agricultural Statistics (Adams, Kit Carson, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgewick, Washington, Yuma)

Producers wishing to get started in dryland rotation farming may consult bulletins published in previous years and/or the publication by Croissant, et al. (1992).

## CONCURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

### **Wheat - Corn Rotation at Sterling** {Established in fall 1993}

**Objective:**

Maximize time in crop and minimize weed control costs between crops.

**Procedure:**

- i) Roundup, Atrazine, and Command applied after winter wheat harvest.
- ii) Corn planted into the wheat stubble the following May with an Atrazine+ Prowl weed control program. If needed Banvel is used for kochia control.
- iii) Corn is harvested in late September and wheat is planted the same day, directly into the corn stalks.

**Results:**

- i) Corn yields in 1994 only averaged 9 bu/A because of the drought in July and August.
- ii) There was very little stored water at wheat planting in 1994 because of the dry summer. Therefore, wheat yields in 1995 averaged 32 bu/A over the three soil positions compared to an average of 26 bu/A for wheat in the WCF and WCSF rotations. .
- iii) A herbicide mishap prevented corn production in 1995.

**Expectations:**

Since wheat yield is most dependent on May and June rainfall, wheat planted following corn should yield well if plants can be established in the dry soil following corn harvest. Corn yields would be expected to be similar to those obtained in other rotations.

**Experiment Managers:**

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### **Triticale-Corn-Hay Millet Rotation at Sterling**: {Established in fall 1993}

**Objective:**

Maximize time in crop, provide both a cash crop (corn) and forage crops for a mixed livestock-grain farm. Land preparation costs would also be minimized.

**Procedure:**

- i) Winter triticale is planted in September into the hay millet stubble.
- ii) Harvest winter triticale for forage in June before heading, leaving a 8-10 inch stubble. Roundup, Atrazine, and Command applied after harvest.
- iii) Corn planted into the triticale stubble the following May with an Atrazine + Prowl weed control program. If needed Banvel used for kochia control.
- iv) Corn is harvested in late September.
- v) Hay millet is planted into corn stalks the following May and is harvested in July, leaving a 4-6 inch stubble. Weeds controlled with Roundup if necessary.

**Results:**

- i) Triticale yields:

|                        | 1994             |           |          |         | 1995   |           |          |         |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|---------|--------|-----------|----------|---------|
|                        | Summit           | Sideslope | Toeslope | Average | Summit | Sideslope | Toeslope | Average |
| <b>Production</b>      | -----T/Acre----- |           |          |         |        |           |          |         |
| Total <sup>1</sup>     | 2.6              | 2.2       | 3.5      | 2.8     | 4.6    | 4.3       | 3.7      | 4.2     |
| Harvested <sup>2</sup> | 1.5              | 1.2       | 2.0      | 1.6     | 3.8    | 3.6       | 2.9      | 3.4     |

<sup>1</sup> = Harvested at ground level; <sup>2</sup> = Harvested leaving 10" stubble



ii) Corn yields in 1994 only averaged <3 bu/A because of the drought in July and August, and averaged 22 bu/A in 1995.

iii) Hay millet yields were non-harvestable in both 1994 and 1995. The dry summers were not conducive to hay millet production.

Expectations:

Winter triticale seems to be a well adapted cool season forage crop. Corn following triticale should be equivalent to corn after wheat, which has a good record at this site over a ten year period of years. The hay millet, given a more normal spring moisture pattern, should 1-2 T/A of forage.

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**Wheat-Corn-Pea Rotation at Sterling and Stratton:** {Experiment established in fall 1994}

Objective:

Grow winter or spring peas, legumes, after corn harvest and before wheat in the wheat-corn-fallow rotation to evaluate amount of cover produced, water requirement potential of peas as a forage, and the N contribution from the legumes to subsequent crops in the rotation.

Procedure:

i) Austrian Winter Pea planted no-till in fall after corn harvest. Spring peas planted no-till in March after corn harvest.

ii) Late June to early July peas are harvested. Treatments are: 100% vegetation removed; 50% removed; 0% removed; and a control with no peas. Soil water content is measured monthly in the peas. After harvest remaining peas are killed with Roundup to stop water use.

iii) Winter wheat is planted in September. Herbicides used same as the wheat-corn-fallow rotation.

iv) Corn is planted in wheat stubble each spring. Herbicides used same as the wheat-corn-fallow rotation.

Results:

i) Austrian winter peas at Stratton yielded 3500 lbs/acre and spring peas yielded 1380 lbs/acre. At Sterling no pea yields were measured because of erratic stands and weed infestations. Total nitrogen content of the above ground material was 40 and 118 lbs/acre for spring and winter peas, respectively. Root N content averaged 16 lbs/acre for both spring and winter peas.

ii) Wheat yields averaged 32 bu/A at Sterling and 45 bu/A at Stratton. Corn yields averaged 19 bu/A at Sterling and 28 bu/a at Stratton.

Expectations:

Soil water measurements are being made to determine how much water is used by the peas and how that might affect subsequent winter wheat yields. Data from the literature would indicate there should be little effect on wheat yield because pea water use is minimal, and water storage from pea harvest to wheat planting should be adequate to establish good winter wheat stands in the fall.

Experiment Managers:

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### **Phosphorus Soil Test Calibration Using Landscape Variability at Sterling and Stratton:**

{Experiment established fall 1994}

#### **Objective:**

Develop a methodology of soil test calibration using spatial variability found in landscapes, and determine variability in P soil tests over landscapes.

#### **Procedure:**

Transects were defined over three landscapes ranging in length from 230 to 1420 feet. Soil samples were collected at 20 foot intervals from three depths: 0-4", 4-8" and 8- 12". Five rates of phosphate ( $P_2O_5$ ) (0, 10, 20, 30, and 40 lbs/A) were band-applied in parallel at winter wheat planting time. Wheat was harvested in 20 foot intervals along each transect. Soil samples were analyzed for available P, organic matter, total nitrogen, pH, and soil texture. Regression techniques were used to relate soil tests to wheat yields.

#### **Results:**

The late season frost at both Sterling and Stratton affected the wheat yield response to P fertilizer. For example, on low soil test areas the higher rates of P fertilizer advanced the wheat maturity and the frost damaged the plants more than the wheat in the control strip where no P was applied. This caused yields to best on non-P fertilized strips and made it impossible to establish meaningful relationships between soil tests and P fertilization effects. Soil test P levels varied from 4 ppm to 40 ppm over the landscape. Spatial variability in soil characteristics is large, and accounts for much of the variability in yields farmers observe over landscapes.

#### **Expectations:**

The proposed methodology would speed the soil test calibration process and make it more economical to conduct. It makes it possible to develop regional fertilizer recommendations that relate directly to variable rate technology and should be more accurate than those obtained by traditional experiments at many unrelated sites. This study will allow us to determine the potential use of variable rate fertilizer technology in dryland farming.

#### **Experiment Managers:**

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### **Beneficial Insects, Predators of Russian Wheat Aphid, Experiment: {Experiment established fall 1994}**

#### **Objective:**

Determine if having summer crops like corn, sunflower, and hay millet in close proximity to wheat will allow insect predators of Russian Wheat Aphid to maintain their population levels and thus be present at winter wheat planting in the fall.

#### **Procedure:**

Corn, sunflower and hay millet are planted in small plots near winter wheat plots where Russian Wheat Aphid predators have been released. Insect populations are monitored periodically over the summer and fall.

#### **Results:**

To date the establishment of significant populations of the predator insects has not been very successful, and it has been impossible to determine if the summer crops aid in maintaining their populations.

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**Fluid Systems for Dryland Agriculture: {Established in 1993 at Sterling and Stratton}**

**Objectives:**

Develop fluid systems where fertilizers and herbicides can be applied together.

**Procedures:**

Wheat-fallow rotation fluid systems

Varying rates of N fertilizer are tank mixed or applied separately in the fall or spring with labeled rates of Atrazine, Command, Roundup, Banvel or 2,4-D. Nitrogen rates are 0, 30, 60, and 90 lbs N/A.

Wheat-corn-fallow rotation fluid systems

Wheat fluid systems same as outlined above.

For corn, varying rates of N fertilizer are tank mixed or applied separately in the spring or summer with labeled rates of Atrazine, Command, Prowl, or Banvel.

Nitrogen rates are 0, 35, 70, and 105 lbs N/A.

**Results:**

The summer drought in 1994 prevented corn harvest at Sterling in 1994. August precipitation in August, 1995, was 12% and 54% of normal at Sterling and Stratton, and coupled with the early killing frost in September, resulted in average corn yields of 31 and 37 bu/A, respectively. Wheat yields averaged 26 and 43 bu/A at Sterling and Stratton, respectively, being limited by the late spring frost, particularly at Sterling. No definite fluid system effects have emerged. However, better weed control occurred as N rate increased.

**Expectations:**

It was hoped that system effects would emerge with time. Synergistic effects between N fertilizers and herbicides are anticipated. This appears to be occurring with the interaction between N rate and weed control. However, future funding for the project is in question, it may have to be terminated before its 6-year life is completed.

Project Managers: R. L. Kolberg, D. G. Westfall, and G. A. Peterson

## **INTRODUCTION**

Colorado agriculture is highly dependent on precipitation as both snow and rainfall. Dryland acreage exceeds irrigated acreage by more than two fold, and each unit of precipitation is critical to production. At Akron each additional inch (25 mm) of water above the initial yield threshold translates into 4.5 bu/A of wheat (12 kg/ha/mm), consequently profit is highly related to water conservation (Greb et al. 1974).

A research project was established in 1985 to address efficient water use under dryland conditions in Eastern Colorado. A more comprehensive justification for its initiation has been reported previously (Peterson, et al., 1988). The general objective of the project is to identify dryland crop and soil management systems that will maximize water use efficiency of the total annual precipitation.

Specific objectives are to:

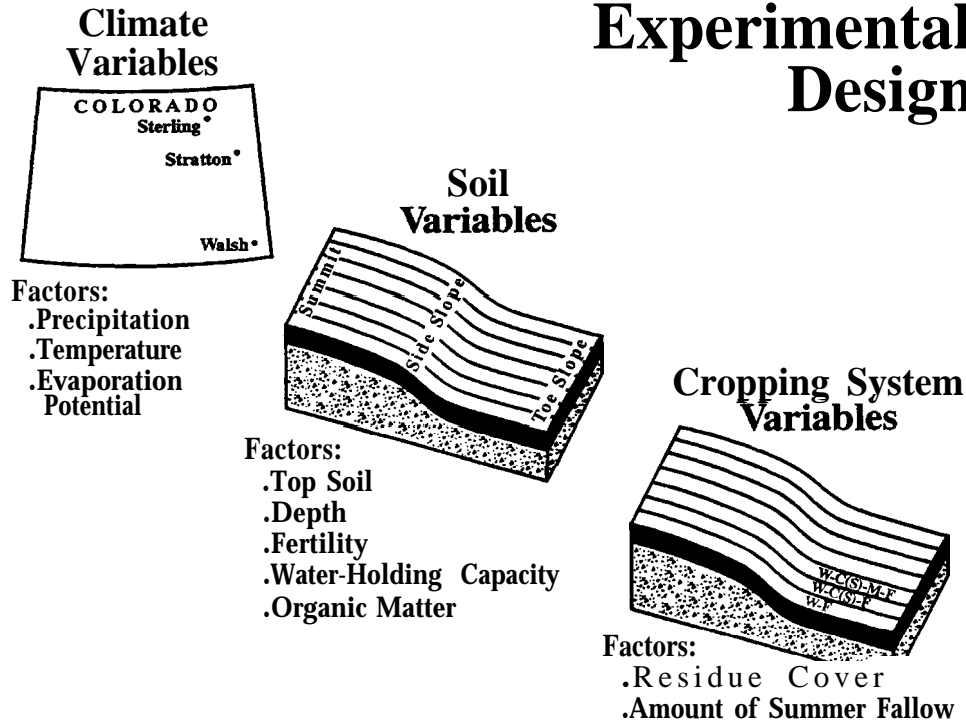
1. Determine if cropping sequences with fewer and/or shorter summer fallow periods are feasible.
2. Quantify the relationship of climate (precipitation and evaporative demand), soil type and cropping sequences that involve fewer and/or shorter fallow periods.
3. Quantify the effects of long-term use of no-till management systems on soil structural stability, micro-organisms and faunal populations of the soil and the organic C, N, and P content of the soil, all in conjunction with various crop sequences.
4. Identify cropping or management systems that will minimize soil erosion by crop residue maintenance.
5. Develop a data base across climatic zones that will allow economic assessment of entire management systems.

Peterson, et al.(1988), document details of the project in regard to the “start up” period and data from the 1986-87 crop year. Results from the 1988-1994 crop years were reported by Peterson, et al., 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995. As in previous bulletins, only annual results are presented. Cropping system research is highly time and weather dependent, and therefore we do not draw major conclusions on an annual basis. Other publications, such as Wood, et al. (1990), Croissant, et al. (1992), and Peterson, et al. (1993a & 1993b) summarize and draw conclusions based on a combination of years.

## **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

We are studying interactions of climate, soils and cropping systems. Three sites, located near Sterling, Stratton, and Walsh, were chosen in Eastern Colorado that represent a gradient in potential evapotranspiration (PET) (Fig. 1). All sites have long-term precipitation averages of approximately 16-17 inches (400-425 mm), but increase in PET from north to south. Open pan evaporation, an index of PET for the cropping season, ranges from 40 inches (1,050 mm) in the north to 75 inches (1,900 mm) in the south. Elevations are 4400(1341 m), 4380(1335 m), and 3720 (1134 m) feet above sea level at Sterling, Stratton, and Walsh, respectively.

# Experimental Design



**Figure 2. Experimental locations on a climatic gradient, soil variables by slope position, and cropping systems over soil positions.**

Each site was selected to represent a catenary sequence of soils common to the geographic area. All fields chosen had been cultivated for more than 50 years. The cropping system during this time primarily had been dryland wheat-fallow with some inclusion of grain sorghum at Walsh and corn at Sterling. We placed cropping system treatments over the soil sequence at each site (Fig. 1) and they are identified in Table 1. Each system is managed with no-till techniques, and herbicide programs are reported in Appendix Tables 1,2 and 3. We are testing two of the cropping systems, wheat-fallow and wheat-corn or sorghum-fallow using conventional stubble mulch tillage at Sterling and Walsh. Complete details on measurements being made and reasons for treatment choices are given by Peterson, et al.(1988). Wheat, TAM 107, was planted at 60 lbs/A (67 kg/ha) on 20,26, and 26 September 1994 at Sterling, Stratton, and Walsh, respectively. Corn, Pioneer 3732, was planted on 19 and 16 May 1995 at 17,100 seeds/A (42,240 seeds/ha) at Sterling and Stratton, respectively. Corn, Pioneer 3655, was planted in the continuous row crop treatment(formerly Continuous Sorghum) on 18 April 1995 at Walsh. Corn was replanted at Walsh on 16 May 1995. Sorghum, Cargill 607E, was planted at Walsh on 8 June 1994 at a seeding rates of 43,000 seeds/A (106,210 seeds/ha) in the WSF and WSSF treatments. Sunflower, Northrup King 258, was planted at a rate of 17000 seeds/A (41990seeds/ha) on 16 May 1995 at Walsh. Sunflower, Triumph 505C, was planted on 13 and 14 June 1995 at Sterling and Stratton, respectively. The sunflower crop failed at the two northern sites and we replanted these treatments with forage sorghum, Canex, at a rate of 10 lbs/A on 12 and 13 July at Sterling and Stratton, respectively.

Table 1. Management systems for each site in 1995.

| <u>Site</u> | <u>Rotations</u>   |
|-------------|--|
| Sterling    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Wheat-Fallow (WF)</li> <li>2) Wheat-Corn-Fallow (WCF)</li> <li>3) Wheat-Corn-Millet-Fallow (WCMF)</li> <li>4) Opportunity Cropping*</li> <li>5) Perennial Grass</li> </ol>   |
| Stratton    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Wheat-Fallow (WF)</li> <li>2) Wheat-Corn-Fallow (WCF)</li> <li>3) Wheat-Corn-Millet-Fallow (WCMF)</li> <li>4) Opportunity Cropping"</li> <li>5) Perennial Grass</li> </ol>   |
| Walsh       | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Wheat-Fallow (WF)</li> <li>2) Wheat-Sorghum-Fallow (WSF)</li> <li>3) Wheat-Sorghum-Sorghum-Fallow (WSSF)</li> <li>4) Continuous Row Crop (Alternate corn &amp; sorghum)</li> <li>5) Opportunity Cropping*</li> <li>6) Perennial Grass</li> </ol> |

\*Opportunity cropping is designed to be continuous cropping without fallow, but not monoculture.

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Opportunity Cropping History</u> |                      |                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
|             | <u>Sterling</u>                     | <u>Stratton</u>      | <u>Walsh</u>        |
| 1985        | Wheat                               | Fallow               | Sorghum             |
| 1986        | Wheat                               | Wheat                | Sorghum             |
| 1987        | Corn                                | Sorghum              | Millet              |
| 1988        | Corn                                | Sorghum              | Sudex               |
| 1989        | Attempted Hay Millet                | Attempted Hay Millet | Sorghum             |
| 1990        | Wheat                               | Wheat                | Attempted Sunflower |
| 1991        | Corn                                | Corn                 | Wheat               |
| 1992        | Hay Millet                          | Hay Millet           | Corn                |
| 1993        | Corn                                | Corn                 | Fallow              |
| 1994        | Sunflower                           | Sunflower            | Wheat               |
| 1995        | Wheat                               | Wheat                | Wheat               |

Nitrogen fertilizer is applied annually in accordance with the  $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$  content of the soil profile (0-6 ft or 0-180 cm) before planting, and expected yield on each soil position at each site. Therefore, N rate changes by year, crop grown, and soil position. Fertilizer N rates applied for the 1995 crops are shown in Table 2. Nitrogen fertilizer for wheat, corn, and sunflower was dribbled on the soil surface over the row at planting time at Sterling and Stratton. Nitrogen on wheat at Walsh was spring topdressed and N was sidedressed on corn and sorghum. We made all N applications as 32-0-0 solution.

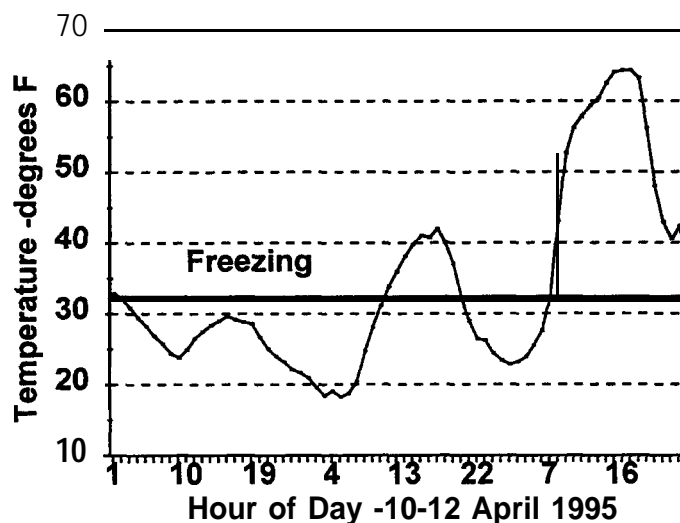
We applied P (10-34-0) at planting of all crops near the seed. Phosphorus was applied on one-half of each corn and proso millet plot over all soils, but applied to the entire plot in the case of wheat. The rate of P is determined by the lowest soil test on the catena which is usually found on the sideslope position. This rate has been 8.5 lbs/A (9.5 kg/ha) of P at each site each year thus far. We changed the P fertilization treatment for wheat in fall 1992, so that the half plot that had never received P fertilizer in previous years was treated when planted to wheat for the 1993 crop. Other crops in the rotation only receive P on the half plot designated as NP. Zinc (0.9 lbs/A or 1 kg/ha) was banded near the seed at corn planting at Sterling and Stratton to correct a deficiency identified by soil test.

We measured soil water with the neutron scatter technique. Aluminum access tubes were installed, two per soil position, in each treatment at each site in 1988. These tubes are not removed for any field operation and remain in the exact positions year to year. Precautions are taken to prevent soil compaction around each tube. By not moving the tubes over years we get the best possible estimates of soil water use in each rotation. Soil water measurements are made on all soils and rotations at planting and harvest of each crop, which also represents the beginning and end of non-crop or fallow periods. We also measured soil water hi-weekly throughout the summer in each crop on the summit and toeslope soil positions.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

### **Climatic Data**

The precipitation pattern at all sites was skewed in 1995 (Table 3a). Amounts in the first six months of 1995 were above the long-term averages, and the second half amounts were below average. Precipitation in the first half of 1995 exceeded the average by 5.8 in. (147 mm) at Sterling, by 4 in. (102 mm) at Stratton, and by 1 in. at Walsh. Deficits in the second half were 2.4 in. (61 mm) at Sterling, 2.6 in. (66 mm) at Stratton, and 6.8 in. (173 mm) at Walsh. August rainfall at Sterling and Walsh was less than 0.25 in. (6 mm), which was devastating to the corn and sorghum crops. Cold temperatures accompanied the wetter spring conditions, which delayed growth of spring planted crops, but was excellent for wheat. Unfortunately, however, air temperatures, from about 0200 on 10 April until 0800 on 12 April fell below the freezing point at all sites. During this three-day period temperatures were near 18° F for a period of 6 to 8 hours. Figure 2 depicts the hourly temperature pattern for Walsh, which was typical of all sites. Although the wheat heads had not emerged by 10 April, major damage occurred, sterile florets resulted, and wheat grain yields were greatly decreased, especially at Walsh, because the wheat was most advanced at that location.



**Figure 3. Hourly temperatures at Walsh from midnight on 10 April to midnight on 12 April 1995.**

Hail occurred at Stratton in August and severely damaged the corn crop, 30% corn yield loss. The cold spring delayed corn growth, and an earlier than average frost on three consecutive nights, 20-22 September, at Sterling and Stratton further decreased corn grain yield.

### **Wheat**

A severe freeze that occurred between 9 and 12 April decreased wheat yields in 1995. At Sterling yields ranged from 8 to 35 bu/A (520-2380 kg/ha) depending on soil position and rotation (Table 4a & 4b). Although these grain yields were near the 10 year average for the Sterling site (Table 5), the potential for much greater yield obviously was present as evidenced by the large amounts of stover produced. At Walsh, where the wheat crop was most advanced in maturity in early April compared to the other sites, grain yields were less than half the long-term averages (Table 7). Based on more normal grain: stover ratios, the grain yield should have been near 60 bu/A (3200 kg/ha) at Sterling and near 40 bu/A (2100 kg/ha) at Walsh if no frost had occurred. Although the frost also occurred at Stratton, the stage of growth obviously was less vulnerable because wheat yields still averaged 43 bu/A (2300 kg/ha) (Tables 4a & 4b).

Wheat yields in the WF rotation on all soils at Sterling and on the toeslope soil at Stratton were depressed compared to yields in either WCF or WCSF (Tables 4a & 4b). Downy brome, a winter annual grassy weed, was at epidemic levels in the WF rotation in the cases where grain yields were depressed. This weed is always present to some degree in our systems, especially in WF, but climatic conditions allowed it to erupt in 1995. In most years the primary flush of downy brome has occurred before wheat seeding and we control it with Roundup. In fall 1994, however, there had been no late August or early September rain to germinate the weed seed before wheat seeding, and this meant we had no opportunity to kill the downy brome prior to seeding. In WCF, WCSF, and Opportunity cropping there is a smaller downy brome seedbank because during the growth cycles of corn and sunflower this weed does not go to seed. Hence



the effects of downy brome on wheat yields was a large problem in 1995 for WF, but not for the other rotations. The toeslope position in WF at Stratton was most affected by the downy brome because the historically good moisture conditions in that soil have left a larger seedbank than on either the summit or sideslope. No yield differences due to rotation were observed at Walsh.

### **Corn and Sorghum**

Corn and sorghum yields were lower than our long-term averages at all sites (Tables 9, 10 & 11). This was due in part to below average precipitation, but some herbicidal stunting of the corn at Sterling combined with an earlier than normal killing frost at both Sterling and Stratton also reduced yield (Table 8a & 8b). Corn at Stratton was not stunted, but did receive hail. Toeslope corn yields at Sterling and Stratton were the highest compared to the other soils, as is usually the case (Table 8a & 8b). Phosphorus fertilization had no apparent affect on grain yield on even the lowest soil test positions, sideslopes. Recall that the entire experimental plot now receives P fertilizer when planted to wheat. Data from 1995 would indicate that the carryover of P from the fertilized wheat crop meets the P need for following corn crop. These results, however, may not be conclusive because of the unusual growing season that included the early killing frost.

Sorghum yields at Walsh ranged from 18 to 43 bu/A (Tables 8a & 8b), which is about 70% of the long-term average (Table 11). For the first time in 10 years yields on summit and sideslope soils were equal to those on the toeslope position. Total rainfall for July and August was only 0.14 inches, which is the grain fill period for sorghum (Table 3a). Considering the very low precipitation the grain yields were actually quite good. The yields were possible because of very good water storage in the period from 1994 wheat harvest and sorghum planting in spring 1995. There was an average of 8.5 inches of available water in all soils at planting in the WSF and the WSSF-1 (first year sorghum) rotations, while all soils averaged about 6.0 inches of available water in the WSSF-2 rotation (second year sorghum). In the latter rotation water storage was only possible from sorghum harvest in fall 1994 until planting time in spring 1995. By sorghum harvest there was less than 1 inch of available water remaining in the top 4 feet of soil in any rotation or any soil position (Tables 24, 25 & 26).

Sorghum responded positively to P application in 1995 on both the summit and sideslope soils in all rotations (Tables 8a & 8b). The yield increases ranged from 2 to 9 bu/A. Even though soil P tests are low on these two soils, we have not always observed a positive yield response to P fertilization. In fact in some years yields have decreased with addition of P fertilizer. Perhaps in a stress year like 1995, the P promoted enough extra root growth that soil water was used more efficiently in P treated plots. Unfortunately we do not have soil water data for the non-P treated sorghum, and thus we are not able to test this hypothesis.

Long-term sorghum yields (Tables 11 & 12) are about 47 bu/A for the WSF and WSSF-1 rotation and about 35 bu/A for the second year sorghum in the WSSF-2 rotation. The second year sorghum yield is very similar to the average yield for continuous sorghum, which is what one would expect.

A continuous row-crop system (Table 12) has been a part of the experiment since its beginning. Grain sorghum was planted every year from 1986-1992. By harvest in 1992 the shatter cane weed problem was so severe that we planted corn in 1993 to allow us to use

herbicides that could control the shatter cane. Two additional plots were added to the experiment in 1993 so that we could test a rotation effect within the continuous row-crop system. Corn yields in the continuous system have averaged 26 bu/A overall soils and years. The highest corn yields, only 30 bu/A, were achieved on the sideslope soil in 1995. Obviously this system does not come close to generating adequate revenue to make corn production profitable.

### **Sunflower**

Sunflower was planted following corn in the 4-year rotations at Sterling and Stratton as it was in 1994. Germination was erratic, but better than in 1994. An unidentified pest or disease problem severely damaged the stands, and we had to destroy the existing plants in mid-June. At Walsh sunflower was planted in the continuous row-cropping treatment in 1995. Seed yields were 6, 7, and 12 bu/A (390, 450, and 840 kg/ha) for summit, sideslope, and toeslope soils, respectively (Tables 8a v& 8b). For a year with very limited July and August rainfall, these yields were considered quite good.

### **Forage Sorghum**

In the fall we measured biomass yields (Tables 13a & 13b) for the forage sorghum. This crop was planted at Sterling and Stratton when the sunflower crop failed. No additional fertilizer was applied beyond the amount supplied to the sunflower crop. Yields at Stratton were essentially double those at Sterling which reflects the dry August at Sterling, only 0.25 in. (5 mm) compared to 1.25 in. (30 mm) at Stratton, and the better subsoil water conditions at Stratton (Table 29). The forage sorghum was planted on 12 July, harvested on 25 September, and produced from 1900 to 8100 lbs/A (2150-9140 kg/ha) of dry matter in 75 days of growth depending on soil position and water availability. It was an excellent “catch crop” to use when the sunflower crop failed.

### **Perennial Grass**

Total biomass production of the perennial grasses was small compared to any other crop produced (Tables 14a & 14b). Toeslopes at Sterling and Stratton greatly out yielded the other two soil positions, but at Walsh the toeslope and summit were very similar, for which we have no logical explanation. Perennial grasses are at a yield disadvantage compared to annual plants because they must store large amounts of their photosynthate in the roots for survival, while annual plants channel most of their photosynthate into above ground growth. Over the 10 years since their establishment, the perennial grasses have received no nitrogen fertilizer, which further disadvantages them compared to our annual crops.

### **Crop Residue Base**

Maintenance of crop residue cover during non-crop periods and during seedling growth stages is vital to maximizing water storage in the soil. Crop residues provide protection from raindrop impact, slow runoff, and decrease water evaporation rates from the soil. Cover greatly reduces erosion, both by wind and water.

Dynamics of the residue base in our systems are being monitored by soil and crop within

each rotation (Tables 15, 16, & 17). Residue loss between planting and harvest can be determined by subtracting the pre-harvest from the pre-plant residue amounts. Residue losses between planting and harvest are the result of decomposition by microorganisms, wind movement, and physical disruption during planting. We calculated residue totals after harvest by adding the new stover produced to the preharvest residue. The total at harvest represents the maximum amount available for protection against evaporation and erosion. Decomposition and physical weathering reduce the amount of residue in the time periods between crops. These periods of time can be as long as 14 months for the wheat-fallow rotation and as short as 7 months where sunflower follows corn or sorghum. Residue measurement over years will help us determine when the residue base reaches steady-state conditions.

Residue levels are subject to annual variations in climate both in terms of production and decomposition rates. Obviously drier years decrease production and also may decrease decomposition rates. The net effect is difficult to assess because the particular portion of the year that is extra dry or wet will change the direction of the impact. Residue quantities always are largest on toeslopes at each site, which is a function of productivity level. Walsh, the most stressed site historically, has had the lowest residue levels over all years.

Residue levels present just prior to wheat planting are the minimum point in all rotations because this time marks the end of the summer fallow period where decomposition has been occurring with no new additions of crop biomass. Therefore, cover is at its minimum, and erosion potential is at its maximum point. Residues present at wheat planting ( Table 15) for WF were less than for either WCF or WCMF on all soils at all sites. This is directly attributable to less input of materials in the WF contrasted to the more intensive rotations. Residue levels in all rotations were lowest at the Walsh site because less biomass is produced and decomposition is encouraged by the longer growing season at that site. Residue amounts produced in each rotation were very similar at Sterling and Stratton because climatic differences between Sterling and Stratton are less dramatic than from Stratton to Walsh.

As noted in previous years, there were sizeable losses of residue from spring planting of corn or sorghum to fall harvest This loss is primarily due to microbial decomposition because warm temperatures, in combination with frequent summer rainfall events, promote rapid decomposition at the soil residue interface.

### **Soil Water**

Soil water supplies plant demand between rainfall events. Soils of eastern Colorado cannot store sufficient water to sustain a crop for the whole season, even if at field capacity at planting time. We monitor soil water in our systems to determine how efficiently various rotations and crops within rotations are using water. Our concern is how well precipitation is captured in non-crop periods, and subsequently how efficiently water is used for plant growth. Soil water data are presented in Tables 18 to 35. We summarized data for the reader in various forms: (1) Total soil water use from planting to harvest by the wheat, corn, and sorghum crops in Tables 18 and 19; (2) Soil water use by depth increment for each crop in Tables 20-29; and (3) Plant available soil water by calendar date during the growing season for wheat, corn and sorghum in Tables 30-35.

**Wheat:**

The unusual climatic conditions during the growing season greatly affected wheat soil water use. At Sterling, for example, soils in the WF and WCF rotations gained 13 to 177 mm of water from planting time until harvest depending on soil position (Table 18). May and June rainfall totaled more than 300 mm (12 in.), which exceeded plant demand, and net soil water storage occurred. Summit and sideslope soils in the WCF rotation had approximately 50 less mm of stored water at planting than did these same soils in the WF and WCSF rotations. The shorter fallow period for the WCF rotation compared to the others was probably the reason for this observation.

Rainfall in the three months preceding wheat planting in 1994 totaled only 22 mm (0.88 in.) at Sterling, which contributed to the lesser amounts of stored water in all rotations compared to the situation at Stratton (Table 3a), where over 150 mm (6 in.) of rain fell in these same months. Soil profiles at Stratton contained almost double the amount of available water at wheat planting as compared to Sterling (Table 18). Late summer rainfall at Walsh also was adequate and soil profiles were well charged at planting except on the summit and sideslope positions in the WSSF rotation. We have no explanation for the latter observation. As noted in the wheat yield discussion the dry planting conditions at Sterling greatly affected our ability to control the downy brome populations and yields were reduced in W-F relative to the other rotations.

Wheat usually extracts soil water from depths as great as 5-6 feet (150-180 cm), but in 1995 the high amounts of rainfall in May and June at Sterling and Stratton (Table 3a) supplied enough water that subsoil resources were not used to any great extent (Tables 20-23). At Walsh, however, where rainfall was near normal, the wheat used water from the 150-180 cm depth. Water extraction patterns for summit soils over the growing season are shown for each site in Tables 30-33, and reflect the effects of rainfall distribution.

**Corn and Sorghum:**

Soil water contents at corn or sorghum planting were excellent at all sites (Table 19). Second year sorghum in the WSSF rotation at Walsh had the smallest amount of available water at planting as would be expected because of the short recharge period in fall 1994 to sorghum planting in spring 1995. Precipitation for the intercrop period from wheat harvest to corn planting at Sterling totaled 330 mm, and 230 mm of it were stored by corn planting the first week in May, which is a 69% storage efficiency. Stratton received 400 mm of rainfall for this period and 195 mm were stored for a storage efficiency of 49%. Walsh received 540 mm of rainfall from wheat harvest until 8 June and 140 mm were stored for an efficiency of 26%. The low recovery at Walsh is partially attributable to receiving over 200 mm of rain in August of 1994, which was not efficiently stored.

Distribution of soil water at corn and sorghum planting and harvest is shown in Tables 24-27. Corn at Sterling and Stratton essentially extracted soil water from all depths down to 180 cm. Grain sorghum at Walsh used water from the 120-150 cm depth, but not from deeper layers. Refer to the discussion of yield for an explanation.

Soil water present in the summit soil at various dates during the corn and sorghum growing season for each soil depth are reported in Tables 34 and 35. These data show water extraction patterns with time. Corn at Sterling did not deplete the soil water as extensively as in other years, which may have been related to the herbicidal stunting that we believe occurred there.

Soil water on 10 August was still 113 mm, and based on this fact, one would have expected grain yields to have been better. This is further evidence for plant stunting; possibly herbicidal. Water extraction patterns by corn at Stratton were similar to those observed in previous years, as were sorghum water-extraction patterns at Walsh.

#### **Water Storage after Wheat Harvest:**

Water storage after wheat harvest was measured on summit and toeslope soils at all three locations beginning in June or July 1995 depending on wheat harvest date (Tables 30-33). At Sterling from 11 July to 10 August there was an average gain of 19 mm of water, which was 33% of the rainfall received. At Stratton from 12 July to 9 August there was an average gain of 16 mm of water, which was 26% of the rainfall received. At Walsh little rainfall was received after harvest in 1995. We would expect storage efficiencies to be relatively low for this time period because of the high air temperatures and extreme evaporative conditions.

#### **Nitrogen and Phosphorus Contents of Grain and Stover**

Nitrogen and P contents were determined for both grain and stover for each crop on each soil at each site (Tables 36-39). The reader can calculate crude protein content of grain by multiplying wheat grain N content by 5.7 and corn or sorghum grain N content by 6.3. All nutrient concentrations are on a dry weight basis, consequently crude protein levels will appear high compared to market levels. Therefore, a grain moisture correction must be applied to obtain market levels.

On a dry matter basis, wheat proteins averaged 13.1% at Sterling, 13.1% at Stratton and 13.8% at Walsh (Table 36a). To correct these values for grain moisture content, multiply by 0.88, which results in an average of about 12% protein at all sites at market moisture levels. These values indicate that N fertilization was adequate for the wheat crop based on research by Goos, et al. (1984). They established that if grain protein levels were above 11.1%, yield was not likely to be limited by N deficiency. Wheat straw N concentrations ranged from 0.27 to 0.71%; therefore each ton of straw contained from 5 to 14 lbs of N (Table 36b).

Nitrogen levels in corn and sorghum grain varied from 1.48 to 1.83 %, which is equivalent to 7.9 to 9.6% protein on a market moisture basis (Table 37a). Corn and sorghum stover N contents varied from 0.49 to 1.04%.(Table 37b). Each ton of corn or sorghum stalks therefore contained 10 to 21 lbs of N.

Nitrogen levels in forage sorghum (Table 38) ranged from 0.83 to 1.45%, which is equivalent to a range in crude protein of 5.2 to 9.1%. The average crude protein content was 7.4%.

Nitrogen levels in the perennial grass ranged from 0.31 to 0.65% with the highest levels generally occurring on the toeslope positions where soil N availability is highest. The average crude protein level for grass was 2.9%.

#### **Soil Nitrate-Nitrogen**

Residual soil NO<sub>3</sub>-N analyses are routinely conducted on soil profile samples (0-6 ft or )-180 cm) taken prior to planting for each crop on each soil at each site (Table 40). These analyses are used to make fertilizer N applications for a particular crop on each soil at each site. Accumulation of residual nitrate allows reduction in the fertilizer rate. By using residual soil nitrate analyses of the root zone we can also determine if nitrate is leaching beneath the root

zone. With improved precipitation use efficiency in the more intensive crop rotations, the amount of nitrate escaping the root zone should be minimized. Generally over the past 5 years, the wheat-fallow system has had higher residual nitrates than the 3-or 4-year rotations at the end of fallow prior to wheat planting. The same was true in the 1994-95 crop year. Although less pronounced than the difference between wheat-fallow and the 3-year systems, the 4-year rotation have the least nitrate accumulation. Most likely the greater N removal in the intensive systems is causing this difference to occur.

### **CONCLUSIONS**

Weather variations greatly affected the 1994-95 crop year. Unexpectedly late frost damaged wheat yields at all sites, especially at Walsh. Sterling and Walsh experienced severe drought stress during the corn and sorghum growing season. Excellent levels of stored water at sorghum planting at Walsh prevented a sorghum crop failure, 75% of long-term yield, despite the less than 0.15 in. of rain during July and August.

More intensive rotations like wheat-corn(sorghum)-fallow and wheat-com(sorghum)-millet-fallow have more than doubled grain water use efficiency in all three study environments when compared over years. Water conserved in the no-till systems has been converted into increased grain production. In northeastern Colorado intensive rotations have increased dollar returns to land, labor, capital, management and risk by 25-40% compared to wheat-fallow practiced either with no-till or with conventional tillage. Because, historically, millet prices are relatively low, the wheat-corn-fallow has been more profitable than wheat-com-millet-fallow. In southeastern Colorado, even though the increased water use efficiency is achieved, the net returns favor wheat-fallow over the intensive rotations. The cost of sorghum production in our systems has been too high compared to the added yield received. Lower cost weed control systems are being tested at Walsh in an attempt to improve the profit potential of the intensive systems in that environment.

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Table 2. Nitrogen fertilizer application by soil and crop for 1995.

| SITE     | SOIL      | CROP      | ROTATION       |     |      | OPP |               |
|----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----|------|-----|---------------|
|          |           |           | WF             | WCF | WCMF |     |               |
|          |           |           | -----Lb/A----- |     |      |     |               |
| Sterling | Summit    | Wheat     | 41             | 52  | 52   | 52  |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         | 41             | 52  | 52   | 52  |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         | 41             | 52  | 52   | 52  |               |
|          | Summit    | Corn      |                | 83  | 83   |     |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                | 83  | 83   |     |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                | 83  | 83   |     |               |
|          | Summit    | Sunflower |                |     | 31   |     |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                |     | 31   |     |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                |     | 31   |     |               |
|          |           |           | WF             | WCF | WCMF | OPP |               |
|          | Summit    | Wheat     | 41             | 52  | 52   | 41  |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         | 41             | 52  | 52   | 41  |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         | 41             | 52  | 52   | 41  |               |
| Stratton | Summit    | Corn      |                | 83  | 83   |     |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                | 83  | 83   |     |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                | 83  | 83   |     |               |
|          | Summit    | Sunflower |                |     | 31   |     |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                |     | 31   |     |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                |     | 31   |     |               |
|          |           |           | WF             | WSF | WSSF | OPP | CONT.<br>CROP |
|          | Summit    | Wheat     | 38             | 48  | 63   | 48  |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         | 38             | 48  | 63   | 48  |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         | 38             | 48  | 63   | 48  |               |
|          | Summit    | Sorghum1  |                | 56  | 81   |     |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                | 56  | 81   |     |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                | 56  | 81   |     |               |
| Walsh    | Summit    | Sorghum2  |                |     | 81   |     |               |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                |     | 81   |     |               |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                |     | 81   |     |               |
|          | Summit    | Corn      |                |     |      |     | 75            |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                |     |      |     | 75            |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                |     |      |     | 75            |
|          | Summit    | Sunflower |                |     |      |     | 30            |
|          | Sideslope | "         |                |     |      |     | 30            |
|          | Toeslope  | "         |                |     |      |     | 30            |
|          |           |           |                |     |      |     |               |
|          |           |           |                |     |      |     |               |
|          |           |           |                |     |      |     |               |



Table 3a. Monthly precipitation for each site for the 1994-95 growing season.

| MONTH             | LOCATION |         |          |         |       |         |
|-------------------|----------|---------|----------|---------|-------|---------|
|                   | STERLING |         | STRATTON |         | WALSH |         |
|                   | Inches   |         |          |         |       |         |
| 1994              | 1994     | Normals | 1994     | Normals | 1994  | Normals |
| JULY              | 0.00     | 2.40    | 3.46     | 2.60    | 2.64  | 3.10    |
| AUGUST            | 0.18     | 2.00    | 2.63     | 2.30    | 8.35  | 2.30    |
| SEPTEMBER         | 0.70     | 1.20    | 0.18     | 1.60    | 0.50  | 1.30    |
| OCTOBER           | 3.77     | 1.00    | 2.71     | 1.00    | 1.23  | 1.10    |
| NOVEMBER          | 0.69     | 0.70    | 1.16     | 0.70    | 0.85  | 0.60    |
| DECEMBER          | 0.62     | 0.60    | 0.36     | 0.40    | 0.26  | 0.30    |
| SUBTOTAL          | 5.96     | 7.90    | 10.50    | 8.60    | 13.83 | 8.70    |
| 1995              | 1995     | Normals | 1995     | Normals | 1995  | Normals |
| JANUARY           | 0.46     | 0.50    | 1.21     | 0.40    | 0.85  | 0.40    |
| FEBRUARY          | 0.30     | 0.50    | 0.95     | 0.40    | 0.45  | 0.30    |
| MARCH             | 0.77     | 1.30    | 0.42     | 1.00    | 0.48  | 0.70    |
| APRIL             | 2.11     | 2.00    | 1.69     | 1.60    | 1.03  | 1.30    |
| MAY               | 6.08     | 3.00    | 4.10     | 2.70    | 4.07  | 2.50    |
| JUNE              | 6.19     | 2.80    | 4.22     | 2.40    | 2.07  | 2.70    |
| SUBTOTAL          | 15.91    | 10.10   | 12.59    | 8.50    | 8.95  | 7.90    |
| 1995              | 1995     | Normals | 1995     | Normals | 1995  | Normals |
| JULY              | 2.53     | 2.40    | 2.74     | 2.60    | 0.13  | 3.10    |
| AUGUST            | 0.25     | 2.00    | 1.26     | 2.30    | 0.01  | 2.30    |
| SEPTEMBER         | 2.16     | 1.20    | 1.21     | 1.60    | 0.74  | 1.30    |
| OCTOBER           | 0.00     | 1.00    | 0.21     | 1.00    | 0.14  | 1.10    |
| NOVEMBER          | 0.49     | 0.70    | 0.49     | 0.70    | 0.00  | 0.60    |
| DECEMBER          | 0.05     | 0.60    | 0.06     | 0.40    | 0.85  | 0.30    |
| SUBTOTAL          | 5.48     | 7.90    | 5.97     | 8.60    | 1.87  | 8.70    |
| YEAR TOTAL        | 21.39    | 18.00   | 18.56    | 17.10   | 10.82 | 16.60   |
| 18 MONTH<br>TOTAL | 27.35    | 25.90   | 29.06    | 25.70   | 24.65 | 25.30   |

Table 3b. Precipitation summary by growing season segments for Sterling from 1987-1995.

| Year              | Growing Season Segments |           |           |                            |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------|
|                   | Wheat                   |           | Corn      |                            |
|                   | Vegetat.                | Reprod.   | Preplant  | Growing Season             |
|                   | Sep - Mar               | Apr - Jun | Jul - Apr | May - Oct                  |
|                   | Inches                  |           |           |                            |
| 1987-88           | 5.2                     | 9.9       | 11.1      | 15.8                       |
| 1988-89           | 3.1                     | 6.5       | 10.5      | 14.3                       |
| 1989-90           | 5.1                     | 4.7       | 11.8      | 13.0                       |
| 1990-91           | 3.8                     | 7.2       | 12.3      | 11.7                       |
| 1991-92           | 4.5                     | 4.8       | 9.1       | 14.8                       |
| 1992-93           | 4.5                     | 6.2       | 15.5      | 10.6                       |
| 1993-94           | 6.4                     | 3.0       | 10.2      | 6.1 (3.8" in October)      |
| 1994-95           | 7.3                     | 14.4      | 9.6       | 17.2 (12" in May and June) |
| Long Term Average | 5.8                     | 7.8       | 12.2      | 12.4                       |

Table 3c. Precipitation summary by growing season segments for Stratton from 1987-1995.

| Year              | Growing Season Segments |           |           |                           |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
|                   | Wheat                   |           | Corn      |                           |
|                   | Vegetat.                | Reprod.   | Preplant  | Growing Season            |
|                   | Sep - Mar               | Apr - Jun | Jul - Apr | May - Oct                 |
|                   | Inches                  |           |           |                           |
| 1987-88           | 4.3                     | 7.2       | 8.8       | 12.6                      |
| 1988-89           | 3.0                     | 9.4       | 5.3       | 15.5                      |
| 1989-90           | 5.3                     | 6.1       | 11.0      | 13.4                      |
| 1990-91           | 4.4                     | 4.1       | 10.7      | 14.7                      |
| 1991-92           | 3.3                     | 6.1       | 14.2      | 13.6                      |
| 1992-93           | 3.3                     | 3.8       | 11.8      | 14.7                      |
| 1993-94           | 4.3                     | 7.8       | 16.7      | 13.5 (2.7" in October)    |
| 1994-95           | 7.0                     | 10.0      | 14.8      | 13.7 (8" in May and June) |
| Long Term Average | 5.5                     | 6.7       | 12.0      | 12.6                      |

Table 3d. Precipitation summary by growing season segments  
for Walsh from 19987-95

| Year                 | Growing Season Segments |                      |                       |                             |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
|                      | Wheat                   |                      | Sorghum               |                             |
|                      | Vegetat.<br>Sep - Mar   | Reprod.<br>Apr - Jun | Preplant<br>Jul - Apr | Growing Season<br>May - Ott |
|                      | -----Inches-----        |                      |                       |                             |
| 1987-88              | 4.3                     | 7.6                  | 7.4                   | 11.1                        |
| 1988-89              | 4.1                     | 11.5                 | 8.1                   | 20.2                        |
| 1989-90              | 5.7                     | 7.4                  | 14.1                  | 12.5                        |
| 1990-91              | 5.0                     | 7.7                  | 11.7                  | 12.2                        |
| 1991-92              | 2.7                     | 5.8                  | 7.1                   | 13.2                        |
| 1992-93              | 6.1                     | 9.2                  | 13.8                  | 14.5                        |
| 1993-94              | 3.2                     | 5.3                  | 8.7                   | 16.3 (8.4" in August)       |
| 1994-95              | 4.6                     | 7.2                  | 16.6                  | 7.2                         |
| Long Term<br>Average | 4.7                     | 6.5                  | 11.4                  | 13.0                        |

Table 4a. Grain and stover yields for WHEAT in English units in 1995.

| SLOPE POSITION        |        |             |        |              |           |             |        |              |          |             |        |              |
|-----------------------|--------|-------------|--------|--------------|-----------|-------------|--------|--------------|----------|-------------|--------|--------------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT |             |        |              | SIDESLOPE |             |        |              | TOESLOPE |             |        |              |
|                       | GRAIN  |             | STOVER |              | GRAIN     |             | STOVER |              | GRAIN    |             | STOVER |              |
|                       | NP*    | NP          | NP*    | NP           | NP*       | NP          | NP*    | NP           | NP*      | NP          | NP*    | NP           |
| STERLING:             | ----   | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- | ----      | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- | ----     | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- |
| WF                    | 18     | 15          | 2786   | 2492         | 8         | 16          | 963    | 2275         | 12       | 14          | 2204   | 3044         |
| WCF                   | 31     | 30          | 5122   | 4462         | 37        | 25          | 3864   | 3300         | 28       | 31          | 3375   | 2999         |
| WCSF                  | 28     | 20          | 4253   | 3377         | 35        | 34          | 3832   | 3843         | 34       | 26          | 4965   | 3608         |
| OPP                   | 27     | 25          | 5679   | 3296         | 32        | 31          | 3333   | 3362         | 35       | 28          | 4686   | 4542         |
|                       |        |             |        |              |           |             |        |              |          |             |        |              |
|                       | NP*    | NP          | NP*    | NP           | NP*       | NP          | NP*    | NP           | NP*      | NP          | NP*    | NP           |
| STRATTON:             | ----   | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- | ----      | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- | ----     | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- |
| WF                    | 44     | 38          | 5420   | 5381         | 33        | 32          | 4255   | 3921         | 40       | 40          | 7337   | 6414         |
| WCF                   | 43     | 44          | 4366   | 5136         | 33        | 35          | 3371   | 3956         | 56       | 57          | 6266   | 7235         |
| WCSF                  | 39     | 42          | 5112   | 5077         | 34        | 36          | 3802   | 4233         | 53       | 43          | 7319   | 6205         |
| OPP                   | 59     | 55          | 6502   | 7971         | 41        | 47          | 4652   | 5883         | 50       | 49          | 5966   | 6906         |
|                       |        |             |        |              |           |             |        |              |          |             |        |              |
|                       | NP*    | NP          | NP*    | NP           | NP*       | NP          | NP*    | NP           | NP*      | NP          | NP*    | NP           |
| WALSH:                | ----   | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- | ----      | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- | ----     | Bu./A. ---- | ----   | lbs./A. ---- |
| WF                    | 16     | 16          | 1896   | 2481         | 15        | 15          | 2079   | 2031         | 15       | 16          | 1977   | 2451         |
| WSF                   | 15     | 13          | 1906   | 2020         | 16        | 14          | 1883   | 2040         | 18       | 16          | 1939   | 2376         |
| WSSF                  | 11     | 12          | 1579   | 1725         | 15        | 10          | 1836   | 1256         | 16       | 16          | 1964   | 1679         |
| OPP                   | 10     | 13          | 1395   | 1806         | 13        | 11          | 1614   | 1836         | 22       | 15          | 2550   | 2156         |

1. Wheat grain yield expressed at 12% moisture.

• Only receives phosphorus in wheat phase of each rotation.

Table 4b. Grain, stover and biomass yields for WHEAT in 1996.

| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SLOPE POSITION  |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------|--------|------|-------|-------|-----------------|------|--------|------|-------|------|-----------------|------|--------|------|-------|-------|
|                       | SUMMIT          |      |        |      |       |       | SIDE            |      |        |      |       |      | TOE             |      |        |      |       |       |
|                       | GRAIN           |      | STOVER |      | TOTAL |       | GRAIN           |      | STOVER |      | TOTAL |      | GRAIN           |      | STOVER |      | TOTAL |       |
|                       | NP*             | NP   | NP*    | NP   | NP*   | NP    | NP*             | NP   | NP*    | NP   | NP*   | NP   | NP*             | NP   | NP*    | NP   | NP*   | NP    |
| STERLING:             | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |       | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |       |
| WF                    | 1229            | 1025 | 3098   | 2791 | 4327  | 3816  | 519             | 1091 | 1078   | 2547 | 1597  | 3638 | 808             | 933  | 2469   | 3409 | 3277  | 4342  |
| WCF                   | 2076            | 1995 | 5737   | 4997 | 7813  | 6992  | 2485            | 1713 | 4328   | 3696 | 6813  | 5409 | 1895            | 1444 | 3780   | 3359 | 5675  | 4803  |
| WCSF                  | 1867            | 1327 | 4764   | 3782 | 6631  | 5109  | 2384            | 2258 | 4291   | 4305 | 6675  | 6563 | 2284            | 1758 | 5561   | 4041 | 7845  | 5799  |
| OPP                   | 1815            | 1679 | 6360   | 3692 | 8175  | 5371  | 2137            | 2062 | 3733   | 3766 | 5870  | 5828 | 2328            | 1897 | 5248   | 5088 | 7576  | 6985  |
| <hr/>                 |                 |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
| <hr/>                 |                 |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
| <hr/>                 |                 |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
| STRATTON:             | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |       | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |       |
| WF                    | 2944            | 2530 | 6070   | 6027 | 9014  | 8557  | 2248            | 2164 | 4765   | 4391 | 7013  | 6555 | 2661            | 2715 | 8218   | 7184 | 10879 | 9899  |
| WCF                   | 2893            | 2959 | 4890   | 5754 | 7783  | 8713  | 2244            | 2345 | 3775   | 4431 | 6019  | 6776 | 3778            | 3825 | 7017   | 8103 | 10795 | 11928 |
| WCSF                  | 2649            | 2581 | 5725   | 5686 | 8374  | 8267  | 2261            | 2390 | 4258   | 4741 | 6519  | 7131 | 3589            | 2906 | 8198   | 6949 | 11787 | 9855  |
| OPP                   | 3974            | 3711 | 7282   | 8928 | 11256 | 12639 | 2748            | 3136 | 5211   | 6589 | 7959  | 9725 | 3374            | 3303 | 6682   | 7735 | 10056 | 11038 |
| <hr/>                 |                 |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
| <hr/>                 |                 |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
| <hr/>                 |                 |      |        |      |       |       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |       |
| WALSH:                | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |       | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |       |
| WF                    | 1046            | 1080 | 2124   | 2779 | 3170  | 3859  | 1010            | 1010 | 2329   | 2274 | 3339  | 3284 | 1033            | 1102 | 2214   | 2451 | 3247  | 3553  |
| WSF                   | 1034            | 872  | 2137   | 2262 | 3171  | 3134  | 1099            | 944  | 2109   | 2285 | 3208  | 3229 | 1209            | 1049 | 2172   | 2661 | 3381  | 3710  |
| WSSF                  | 724             | 793  | 1768   | 1932 | 2492  | 2725  | 1020            | 681  | 2056   | 1407 | 3076  | 2088 | 1079            | 1086 | 2199   | 1881 | 3278  | 2967  |
| OPP                   | 694             | 876  | 1563   | 2022 | 2257  | 2898  | 844             | 751  | 1807   | 2056 | 2651  | 2807 | 1499            | 987  | 2856   | 2415 | 4355  | 3402  |

1. Wheat grain yield expressed at 12% moisture.

\* Only receives phosphorus in wheat phase of each rotation.

Table 5. Wheat yields at optimum fertility by year and soil position at Sterling from 1986-1995.

| YEAR  | SLOPE POSITION   |      |     | MEAN |
|-------|------------------|------|-----|------|
|       | SUMMIT           | SIDE | TOE |      |
|       | <hr/> Bu/A <hr/> |      |     |      |
| 1986  | 27               | 25   | 28  | 27   |
| 1987  | 22               | 15   | 25  | 21   |
| 1988  | 18               | 27   | 19  | 21   |
| 1989  | 36               | 38   | 46  | 40   |
| 1990  | 35               | 34   | 47  | 39   |
| 1991  | 31               | 29   | 41  | 34   |
| 1992  | 17               | 18   | 35  | 23   |
| 1993  | 41               | 38   | 52  | 44   |
| 1994  | 22               | 28   | 36  | 29   |
| 1995* | 27               | 28   | 30  | 28   |
| MEAN  | 28               | 28   | 36  | 31   |

\*Averages do not include wheat-fallow, which was infested with downy brome.

Table 6. Wheat yields at optimum fertility by year and soil position at Stratton from 1986-1995.

| YEAR | SLOPE POSITION   |      |     | MEAN |
|------|------------------|------|-----|------|
|      | SUMMIT           | SIDE | TOE |      |
|      | <hr/> Bu/A <hr/> |      |     |      |
| 1986 | 32               | 29   | 23  | 28   |
| 1987 | 27               | 20   |     | 24   |
| 1988 | 38               | 43   | 49  | 43   |
| 1989 | 43               | 31   | 87  | 54   |
| 1990 | 48               | 53   | 72  | 58   |
| 1991 | 49               | 40   | 56  | 48   |
| 1992 | 29               | 29   | 31  | 30   |
| 1993 | 36               | 35   | 51  | 41   |
| 1994 | 37               | 35   | 51  | 41   |
| 1995 | 46               | 36   | 48  | 43   |
| MEAN | 39               | 35   | 52  | 42   |

Table 7. Wheat yields at optimum fertility  
by year and soil position at Walsh  
from 1986-1995.

| YEAR | SLOPE POSITION              |      |     | MEAN |
|------|-----------------------------|------|-----|------|
|      | SUMMIT                      | SIDE | TOE |      |
|      | <hr/> Bu/A <hr/>            |      |     |      |
| 1986 | No wheat produced this year |      |     |      |
| 1987 | 34                          | 32   | 48  | 38   |
| 1988 | No wheat produced this year |      |     |      |
| 1989 | 24                          | 27   | 28  | 26   |
| 1990 | 24                          | 28   | 32  | 28   |
| 1991 | 32                          | 34   | 48  | 38   |
| 1992 | 25                          | 39   | 53  | 39   |
| 1993 | 34                          | 39   | 42  | 38   |
| 1994 | 33                          | 37   | 44  | 38   |
| 1995 | 13                          | 14   | 17  | 15   |
| MEAN | 24                          | 31   | 39  | 32   |

Table 8a. Grain and stover yields for CORN and SORGHUM in English units in 1995.

| SLOPE POSITION        |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|----|---------------------|------|--------------------|----|---------------------|------|--------------------|----|---------------------|------|--|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT             |    |                     |      | SIDESLOPE          |    |                     |      | TOESLOPE           |    |                     |      |  |
|                       | GRAIN              |    | STOVER              |      | GRAIN              |    | STOVER              |      | GRAIN              |    | STOVER              |      |  |
|                       | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   |  |
|                       | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      |  |
| STERLING:             |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |  |
| WCF                   | 13                 | 10 | 634                 | 680  | 11                 | 8  | 636                 | 515  | 26                 | 17 | 1363                | 866  |  |
| WCSF                  | 8                  | 10 | 446                 | 671  | 10                 | 8  | 812                 | 474  | 38                 | 36 | 1704                | 1497 |  |
|                       |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |  |
|                       | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   |  |
| STRATTON:             | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      |  |
| WCF                   | 28                 | 20 | 1079                | 952  | 26                 | 20 | 1235                | 989  | 62                 | 57 | 6626                | 2380 |  |
| WCSF                  | 34                 | 21 | 1420                | 1078 | 33                 | 36 | 1473                | 1464 | 54                 | 53 | 2030                | 2264 |  |
|                       |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |                    |    |                     |      |  |
|                       | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   | N                  | NP | N                   | NP   |  |
| WALSH:                | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      | ----- Bu./A. ----- |    | ----- lbs./A. ----- |      |  |
| WSF                   | 27                 | 32 | 1050                | 1191 | 43                 | 36 | 2096                | 1428 | 31                 | 37 | 1318                | 2198 |  |
| WSSF-1                | 23                 | 25 | 741                 | 821  | 28                 | 28 | 1062                | 907  | 40                 | 32 | 1570                | 1576 |  |
| WSSF-2                | 18                 | 23 | 568                 | 751  | 19                 | 28 | 640                 | 996  | 21                 | 20 | 885                 | 914  |  |
| CS (Sunflower)        | 6                  | 6  | 1073                | 1028 | 6                  | 7  | 1191                | 1587 | 13                 | 11 | 2214                | 1599 |  |
| CS (Corn)             | 17                 | 27 | 1202                | 1662 | 16                 | 30 | 1016                | 1797 | 22                 | 29 | 1262                | 1660 |  |

1, Corn grain yield expressed at 15.5% moisture.

2. Sorghum grain yield expressed at 14% moisture.



Table 8b. Grain, stover and biomass yields for CORN and SORGHUM in 1996.

| SLOPE POSITION        |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------|--------|------|-------|------|-----------------|------|--------|------|-------|------|-----------------|------|--------|------|-------|------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT          |      |        |      |       |      | SIDE            |      |        |      |       |      | TOE             |      |        |      |       |      |
|                       | GRAIN           |      | STOVER |      | TOTAL |      | GRAIN           |      | STOVER |      | TOTAL |      | GRAIN           |      | STOVER |      | TOTAL |      |
|                       | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   |
| STERLING:             | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      |
| WCF                   | 786             | 603  | 710    | 761  | 1496  | 1364 | 674             | 497  | 713    | 577  | 1387  | 1074 | 1643            | 1040 | 1526   | 970  | 3169  | 2010 |
| WCSF                  | 501             | 622  | 500    | 752  | 1001  | 1374 | 599             | 508  | 910    | 531  | 1509  | 1039 | 2383            | 2233 | 1909   | 1677 | 4292  | 3910 |
|                       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |
| STRATTON:             | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   |
|                       | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      |
|                       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |
| WCF                   | 1728            | 1227 | 1209   | 1066 | 2937  | 2293 | 1658            | 1260 | 1383   | 1107 | 3041  | 2367 | 3877            | 3596 | 7421   | 2665 | 11298 | 6261 |
| WCSF                  | 2129            | 1314 | 1590   | 1208 | 3719  | 2522 | 2090            | 2228 | 1649   | 1639 | 3739  | 3867 | 3376            | 3317 | 2274   | 2536 | 5650  | 5853 |
|                       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |
| WALSH:                | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   | N               | NP   | N      | NP   | N     | NP   |
|                       | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      | -----Kg/ha----- |      |        |      |       |      |
|                       |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |                 |      |        |      |       |      |
| WSF                   | 1703            | 2033 | 1176   | 1334 | 2879  | 3367 | 2694            | 2251 | 2347   | 1599 | 5041  | 3850 | 1944            | 2345 | 1476   | 2462 | 3420  | 4807 |
| WSSF-1                | 1441            | 1540 | 830    | 920  | 2271  | 2460 | 1785            | 1767 | 1190   | 1016 | 2975  | 2783 | 2484            | 1983 | 1758   | 1765 | 4242  | 3748 |
| WSSF-2                | 1132            | 1429 | 636    | 841  | 1768  | 2270 | 1162            | 1741 | 716    | 1116 | 1878  | 2857 | 1286            | 1277 | 991    | 1023 | 2277  | 2300 |
| CS (Sunflower)        | 393             | 386  | 1201   | 1151 | 1594  | 1537 | 423             | 477  | 1334   | 1777 | 1757  | 2254 | 897             | 716  | 2480   | 1791 | 3377  | 2507 |
| CS (Corn)             | 1048            | 1723 | 1346   | 1861 | 2394  | 3584 | 1020            | 1895 | 1138   | 2012 | 2158  | 3907 | 1368            | 1790 | 1413   | 1860 | 2781  | 3650 |

1. Corn grain yield expressed at 15.5% moisture.  
2. Sorghum grain yield expressed at 14% moisture.

Table 9. Corn yields at optimum fertility  
by year and soil position at Sterling  
from 1986-1995.

| YEAR | SLOPE POSITION   |      |     | MEAN |
|------|------------------|------|-----|------|
|      | SUMMIT           | SIDE | TOE |      |
|      | <hr/> Bu/A <hr/> |      |     |      |
| 1986 | 48               | 34   | 70  | 51   |
| 1987 | 47               | 59   | 70  | 59   |
| 1988 | 61               | 71   | 78  | 70   |
| 1989 | 52               | 74   | 102 | 76   |
| 1990 | 66               | 80   | 104 | 83   |
| 1991 | 55               | 69   | 105 | 76   |
| 1992 | 84               | 87   | 120 | 97   |
| 1993 | 43               | 50   | 70  | 54   |
| 1994 | 4                | 17   | 22  | 14   |
| 1995 | 10               | 12   | 29  | 17   |
| MEAN | 47               | 55   | 77  | 60   |

Table 10. Corn and sorghum yields at optimum fertility  
by year and soil position at Stratton  
from 1986-1995.

| YEAR                                    | SLOPE POSITION   |      |     | MEAN |
|---|------------------|------|-----|------|
|   | SUMMIT           | SIDE | TOE |      |
|   | <hr/> Bu/A <hr/> |      |     |      |
| 1986                                    | 52               | 38   | 99  | 63   |
| 1987                                    | 30               | 34   | 51  | 38   |
| 1988                                    | 42               | 46   | 78  | 55   |
| 1989                                    | 21               | 15   | 24  | 20   |
| MEAN                                    | 36               | 33   | 63  | 44   |
| Corn replaced sorghum beginning in 1990 |                  |      |     |      |
| 1990                                    | 54               | 54   | 88  | 65   |
| 1991                                    | 89               | 79   | 117 | 95   |
| 1992                                    | 82               | 76   | 111 | 90   |
| 1993                                    | 64               | 74   | 94  | 77   |
| 1994                                    | 48               | 34   | 68  | 50   |
| 1995                                    | 26               | 29   | 56  | 37   |
| MEAN                                    | 61               | 58   | 89  | 69   |

Table 11. Rotation sorghum yields at optimum fertility by year and soil position at Walsh from 1986-1995.

| YEAR  | SLOPE POSITION |      |     | MEAN |
|-------|----------------|------|-----|------|
|       | SUMMIT         | SIDE | TOE |      |
|       | Bu/A           |      |     |      |
| 1986  | 35             | 26   | 44  | 35   |
| 1987  | 29             | 31   | 20  | 27   |
| 1988  | 43             | 47   | 72  | 54   |
| 1989  | 18             | 28   | 85  | 44   |
| 1990  | 24             | 37   | 76  | 46   |
| 1991  | 33             | 49   | 64  | 49   |
| 1992  | 44             | 54   | 56  | 51   |
| 1993  | 50             | 54   | 56  | 53   |
| 1994  | 62             | 63   | 97  | 74   |
| 1995* | 27             | 34   | 35  | 32   |
| MEAN  | 37             | 42   | 61  | 46   |

\*Average of WSF and WSSF-1

Table 12. Continuous row crop yields at optimum fertility by year and soil position at Walsh from 1986-1995.

| YEAR | SLOPE POSITION |      |     | MEAN | CROP    |
|------|----------------|------|-----|------|---------|
|      | SUMMIT         | SIDE | TOE |      |         |
|      | Bu/A           |      |     |      |         |
| 1986 | 35             | 26   | 44  | 35   | Sorghum |
| 1987 | 29             | 26   | 13  | 23   | Sorghum |
| 1988 | 39             | 21   | 66  | 42   | Sorghum |
| 1989 | 31             | 27   | 70  | 43   | Sorghum |
| 1990 | 44             | 33   | 47  | 41   | Sorghum |
| 1991 | 43             | 41   | 38  | 41   | Sorghum |
| 1992 | 42             | 48   | 49  | 46   | Sorghum |
| 1993 | 22             | 20   | 31  | 24   | Corn    |
| 1994 | 24             | 20   | 21  | 22   | Sorghum |
| 1995 | 27             | 30   | 26  | 28   | Corn    |
| MEAN | 34             | 29   | 41  | 34   |         |

Table 13a. Forage Sorghum biomass yields for 1995 (lbs/A).

| SLOPE POSITION        |             |           |             |           |             |           |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT      |           | SIDE        |           | TOE         |           |
|                       | BIOMASS     |           | BIOMASS     |           | BIOMASS     |           |
|                       | <u>N</u>    | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>    | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>    | <u>NP</u> |
| STERLING:             | ---lbs/A--- |           | ---lbs/A--- |           | ---lbs/A--- |           |
| WCSF                  | 2842        | 3813      | 1921        | 2288      | 3071        | 2379      |
|                       |             |           |             |           |             |           |
|                       | <u>N</u>    | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>    | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>    | <u>NP</u> |
| STRATTON:             |             |           |             |           |             |           |
| WCSF                  | 8152        | 7382      | 3827        | 3510      | 7762        | 7889      |

Table 13b. Forage Sorghum biomass yields for 1995 (kg/ha).

| SLOPE POSITION        |               |           |               |           |               |           |
|-----------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT        |           | SIDE          |           | TOE           |           |
|                       | BIOMASS       |           | BIOMASS       |           | BIOMASS       |           |
|                       | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> |
| STERLING:             | ----Kg/ha---- |           | ----Kg/ha---- |           | ----Kg/ha---- |           |
| WCSF                  | 3187          | 4275      | 2154          | 2575      | 3071          | 2379      |
|                       |               |           |               |           |               |           |
|                       | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> |
| STRATTON              |               |           |               |           |               |           |
| WCSF                  | 9141          | 8255      | 4068          | 3936      | 8704          | 8824      |

Table 14a. Perrennial Grass yields for 1996 lbs/A.

| SLOPE POSITION        |              |             |             |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT       | SIDE        | TOE         |
|                       | BIOMASS      | BIOMASS     | BIOMASS     |
| STERLING:             | SUMMIT       | SIDE        | TOE         |
|                       | ----lbs/A--- | ---lbs/A--- | ---lbs/A--- |
| GRASS                 | 1224         | 1241        | 2107        |
| STRATTON:             |              |             |             |
| GRASS                 | 1134         | 1215        | 4509        |
| WALSH:                |              |             |             |
| GRASS                 | 1353         | 485         | 1473        |

Table 14b. Perrennial Grass yields for 1996 Kg/ha.

| SLOPE POSITION        |         |         |         |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT  | SIDE    | TOE     |
|                       | BIOMASS | BIOMASS | BIOMASS |
| STERLING:             | SUMMIT  | SIDE    | TOE     |
|                       | —Kg/ha— | —Kg/ha— | —Kg/ha— |
| GRASS                 | 1372    | 1392    | 2362    |
| STRATTON:             |         |         |         |
| GRASS                 | 1272    | 1363    | 5056    |
| WALSH:                |         |         |         |
| GRASS                 | 1517    | 544     | 1652    |

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\* Only receives phosphorus in wheat phase of each rotation.

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Table 16. Residue surface weights on all plots in CORN during the 1995 crop year.

| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SLOPE POSITION                  |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      |                                 |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|------|-------------|------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|------|------|-------------|------|---------------------|------|
|                       | SUMMIT                          |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      | SIDESLOPE                       |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      |
|                       | SAMPLING TIME AND TOTAL RESIDUE |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      | SAMPLING TIME AND TOTAL RESIDUE |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      |
|                       | Pre-Plant                       |      |      |      | Pre-Harvest |      |                     |      | Pre-Plant                       |      |      |      | Pre-Harvest |      |                     |      |
|                       | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | Total<br>at Harvest |      | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | Total<br>at Harvest |      |
| STERLING:             | -----Kg/ha-----                 |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      | -----Kg/ha-----                 |      |      |      |             |      |                     |      |
| WCF                   | 3707                            | 3338 | 1796 | 2809 | 710         | 761  | 2506                | 3570 | 4582                            | 5384 | 1013 | 1804 | 713         | 577  | 1726                | 2381 |
| WCSF                  | 1142                            | 7387 | 1316 | 956  | 500         | 752  | 1816                | 1708 | 3487                            | 6858 | 2382 | 2040 | 909         | 531  | 3291                | 2571 |
| STRATTON:             | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | N                   | NP   | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | N                   | NP   |
| WCF                   | 3284                            | 3796 | 2911 | 3276 | 1208        | 1066 | 4119                | 4342 | 2809                            | 2262 | 1013 | 1804 | 1383        | 1107 | 2396                | 2911 |
| WCSF                  | 2022                            | 3147 | 1138 | 1222 | 1590        | 1208 | 2728                | 2430 | 3262                            | 3182 | 2169 | 1378 | 1649        | 1639 | 3818                | 3017 |
| WALSH:                | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | N                   | NP   | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | N                   | NP   |
| WSF                   | 3804                            | 5751 | 3458 | 1751 | 1176        | 1334 | 4634                | 3085 | 5164                            | 4804 | 2293 | 1911 | 2347        | 1599 | 4640                | 3510 |
| WSSF-1                | 4942                            | 1982 | 1520 | 1067 | 830         | 920  | 2350                | 1987 | 4489                            | 2027 | 1920 | 711  | 1189        | 1016 | 3109                | 1727 |
| WSSF-2                | 3147                            | 3236 | 1013 | 1804 | 636         | 841  | 1649                | 2645 | 4098                            | 2916 | 2142 | 2036 | 716         | 1115 | 2858                | 3151 |
| CS (SUNFLOWE          | 3404                            | 2013 | 1280 | 1991 | 1201        | 1151 | 2481                | 3142 | 2267                            | 2453 | 1031 | 1538 | 1334        | 1777 | 2365                | 3315 |
| CS (Corn)             | --                              | --   | --   | --   | 1346        | 1861 | 1346                | 1861 | --                              | --   | --   | --   | 1138        | 2012 | 1138                | 2012 |
|                       | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | N                   | NP   | N                               | NP   | N    | NP   | N           | NP   | N                   | NP   |
|                       | 3244                            | 3769 | 1013 | 1804 | 1476        | 2462 | 2489                | 4268 | 3244                            | 3769 | 1013 | 1804 | 1476        | 2462 | 2489                | 4268 |
|                       | 2000                            | 2978 | 1227 | 942  | 1758        | 1765 | 2985                | 2707 | 2000                            | 2978 | 1227 | 942  | 1758        | 1765 | 2985                | 2707 |
|                       | 3320                            | 4471 | 3236 | 3298 | 991         | 1023 | 4227                | 4321 | 3320                            | 4471 | 3236 | 3298 | 991         | 1023 | 4227                | 4321 |
|                       | 3893                            | 2871 | 3431 | 2338 | 2480        | 1791 | 5911                | 4129 | 3893                            | 2871 | 3431 | 2338 | 2480        | 1791 | 5911                | 4129 |
|                       | --                              | --   | --   | --   | 1413        | 1860 | 1413                | 1860 | --                              | --   | --   | --   | 1413        | 1860 | 1413                | 1860 |

1. For conversion to lbs/Acre multiply Kg/ha by 0.893.

Table 17. Residue surface weights on all plots in FORAGE SORGHUM in 1995.

| SLOPE POSITION        |                                 |           |                    |           |               |           |                             |                  |                                 |                    |          |               |          |                             |                  |           |                                 |           |               |           |                             |           |      |      |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|---------------|----------|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|------|------|
| SUMMIT                |                                 |           |                    |           |               |           |                             | SIDESLOPE        |                                 |                    |          |               |          |                             |                  | TOESLOPE  |                                 |           |               |           |                             |           |      |      |
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SAMPLING TIME AND TOTAL RESIDUE |           |                    |           |               |           |                             |                  | SAMPLING TIME AND TOTAL RESIDUE |                    |          |               |          |                             |                  |           | SAMPLING TIME AND TOTAL RESIDUE |           |               |           |                             |           |      |      |
|                       | <i>Pre-Plant</i>                |           | <i>Pre-Harvest</i> |           | <i>Stover</i> |           | <i>Total<br/>at Harvest</i> | <i>Pre-Plant</i> |                                 | <i>Pre-Harvest</i> |          | <i>Stover</i> |          | <i>Total<br/>at Harvest</i> | <i>Pre-Plant</i> |           | <i>Pre-Harvest</i>              |           | <i>Stover</i> |           | <i>Total<br/>at Harvest</i> |           |      |      |
|                       | <u>N</u>                        | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>           | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>                    | <u>NP</u>        | <u>N</u>                        | <u>NP</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>NP</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>NP</u>                   | <u>N</u>         | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>                        | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> |                             |           |      |      |
| STERLING:             | -----Kg/ha-----                 |           |                    |           |               |           |                             |                  | -----Kg/ha-----                 |                    |          |               |          |                             |                  |           | -----Kg/ha-----                 |           |               |           |                             |           |      |      |
| WCSF                  | 4791                            | 7236      | 1874               | 2235      | 1474          | 1715      | 3950                        | 4849             | 6551                            | 1671               | 2199     | 1016          | 1300     | 2687                        | 3499             | 4996      | 2551                            | 1846      | 1910          | 1682      | 1060                        | 3528      | 2970 |      |
|                       | <u>N</u>                        | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>           | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>                    | <u>NP</u>        | <u>N</u>                        | <u>NP</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>NP</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>NP</u>                   | <u>N</u>         | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>                        | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>NP</u> | <u>N</u>                    | <u>NP</u> |      |      |
| STRATTON              | -----Kg/ha-----                 |           |                    |           |               |           |                             |                  | -----Kg/ha-----                 |                    |          |               |          |                             |                  |           | -----Kg/ha-----                 |           |               |           |                             |           |      |      |
| WCSF                  | 6476                            | 6209      | 2330               | 3961      | 1616          | 2054      | 3946                        | 6015             | 4320                            | 2520               | 1373     | 1842          | 1256     | 1529                        | 2629             | 3371      | 7573                            | 7610      | 2151          | 3505      | 1758                        | 1366      | 3909 | 4871 |

1. For conversion to lbs/Acre multiply Kg/ha by 0.893.



Table 18. Available soil water at planting and harvest for WHEAT in the 1994-95 growing season.

| SLOPE POSITION        |                     |                 |        |                     |                 |        |                   |                 |        |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------|-----------------|--------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT              |                 |        | SIDESLOPE           |                 |        | TOESLOPE          |                 |        |
|                       | 1994<br>PLANTING    | 1995<br>HARVEST | CHANGE | 1994<br>PLANTING    | 1995<br>HARVEST | CHANGE | 1994<br>PLANTING  | 1995<br>HARVEST | CHANGE |
|                       | ----- mm/30cm ----- |                 |        | ----- mm/30cm ----- |                 |        | -----mm/30cm----- |                 |        |
| STERLING:             |                     |                 |        |                     |                 |        |                   |                 |        |
| WF                    | 103 *               | 127 *           | -24 *  | 143 *               | 156 *           | -13 *  | 131               | 244             | -113   |
| WCF                   | 55 *                | 120 *           | -65 *  | 75 *                | 128 *           | -53 *  | 130               | 307             | -177   |
| WCSF                  | 105 *               | 89 *            | 16 *   | 155 *               | 150 *           | 5 *    | 207               | 250             | -43    |
| OPP                   | 150 *               | 90 *            | 60 *   | 212 *               | 167 *           | 45 *   | 244               | 186             | 58     |
| STRATTON:             |                     |                 |        |                     |                 |        |                   |                 |        |
| WF                    | 201                 | 141             | 60     | 252                 | 194             | 58     | 416               | 346             | 70     |
| WCF                   | 196                 | 142             | 54     | 233                 | 221             | 12     | 395               | 277             | 118    |
| WCSF                  | 203                 | 157             | 46     | 271                 | 237             | 34     | 331               | 244             | 87     |
| OPP                   | 198                 | 94              | 104    | 241                 | 183             | 58     | 349               | 250             | 99     |
| WALSH:                |                     |                 |        |                     |                 |        |                   |                 |        |
| WF                    | 199                 | 21              | 178    | 160                 | 53              | 107    | 262               | 33              | 229    |
| WSF                   | 219                 | 53              | 166    | 113                 | 26              | 87     | 319               | 66              | 253    |
| WSSF                  | 73                  | 122             | -49    | 20                  | 118             | -98    | 229               | 75              | 154    |
| OPP                   | 244                 | 80              | 164    | 163                 | 39              | 124    | 288               | 88              | 200    |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/1.8 meters of soil to inches of H2O/6 feet of soil multiply by 0.04.

\* millimeters/1.2 meters

Table 19. Available soil water at planting and harvest for CORN and SORGHUM in the 1995 growing season.

| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SLOPE POSITION      |                |               |                     |                |               |                    |                |               |
|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                       | SUMMIT              |                |               | SIDESLOPE           |                |               | TOESLOPE           |                |               |
|                       | <u>PLANTING</u>     | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>     | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>    | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
|                       | ----- mm/30cm ----- |                |               | ----- mm/30cm ----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm ----- |                |               |
| <b>STERLING:</b>      |                     |                |               |                     |                |               |                    |                |               |
| WCF                   | 190 *               | 51 .           | 139 *         | 205 .               | 81 .           | 124 .         | 287                | 96             | 191           |
| WCSF                  | 219 .               | 99 .           | 120 *         | 173 *               | 37 *           | 136 *         | 301                | 99             | 202           |
| <b>STRATTON:</b>      |                     |                |               |                     |                |               |                    |                |               |
| WCF                   | 219                 | 52             | 167           | 243                 | 64             | 179           | 412                | 194            | 218           |
| WCSF                  | 195                 | 46             | 149           | 263                 | 90             | 173           | 304                | 112            | 192           |
| <b>WALSH:</b>         |                     |                |               |                     |                |               |                    |                |               |
| WSF                   | 229                 | 105            | 124           | 208                 | 53             | 155           | 227                | 88             | 139           |
| WSSF(1)               | 213                 | 68             | 145           | 187                 | 64             | 123           | 212                | 85             | 127           |
| WSSF(2)               | 160                 | 118            | 42            | 143                 | 53             | 90            | 156                | 41             | 115           |
| CS (Corn)             | 212                 | 117            | 95            | 89                  | 6              | 83            | 190                | 105            | 85            |
| CS (Sunflower)        | 168                 | 44             | 124           | 135                 | 37             | 98            | 243                | 86             | 157           |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/1.8 meters of soil to inches of H2O/6 feet of soil multiply by 0.04.

\* millimeters/1.2 meters

**Table 20. Available soil water by soil depth in the WHEAT phase of the WF rotation at Sterling, Stratton, and Walsh in 1994-95.**

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SLOPE POSITION    |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|
|                         | SUMMIT            |         |        | SIDESLOPE         |         |        | TOESLOPE          |         |        |
|                         | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        |
| <b>STERLING:</b>        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 33                | 45      | -12    | 44                | 43      | 1      | 36                | 57      | -21    |
| 45                      | 18                | 30      | -12    | 27                | 40      | -13    | 25                | 45      | -20    |
| 75                      | 23                | 24      | -1     | 40                | 29      | 11     | 31                | 40      | -9     |
| 105                     | 29                | 28      | 1      | 32                | 44      | - 1 2  | 20                | 26      | -6     |
| 135                     |                   |         |        |                   |         |        | 8                 | 31      | -23    |
| 155                     |                   |         |        |                   |         |        | 11                | 45      | -34    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | 103               | 127     | -24    | 143               | 156     | -13    | 131               | 244     | -113   |
| <b>STRATTON:</b>        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 39                | 23      | 16     | 58                | 45      | 13     | 77                | 57      | 20     |
| 45                      | 34                | 20      | 14     | 43                | 29      | 14     | 65                | 36      | 29     |
| 75                      | 29                | 18      | 11     | 42                | 33      | 9      | 80                | 58      | 22     |
| 105                     | 30                | 22      | 8      | 33                | 29      | 4      | 84                | 81      | 3      |
| 135                     | 35                | 30      | 5      | 38                | 33      | 5      | 55                | 58      | -3     |
| 155                     | 34                | 28      | 6      | 38                | 25      | 13     | 55                | 56      | -1     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | 201               | 141     | 60     | 252               | 194     | 58     | 416               | 346     | 70     |
| <b>WALSH:</b>           |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 31                | 0       | 31     | 40                | 16      | 24     | 43                | 0       | 43     |
| 45                      | 20                | 0       | 20     | 37                | 10      | 27     | 33                | 9       | 24     |
| 75                      | 24                | 2       | 22     | 19                | 6       | 13     | 36                | 6       | 30     |
| 105                     | 34                | 0       | 34     | 8                 | 11      | -3     | 47                | 0       | 47     |
| 135                     | 41                | 1       | 40     | 25                | 0       | 25     | 43                | 0       | 43     |
| 155                     | 49                | 18      | 31     | 31                | 10      | 21     | 60                | 18      | 42     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | 199               | 21      | 178    | 160               | 53      | 107    | 262               | 33      | 229    |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 21. Available soil water by soil depth in the WHEAT phase of the WCF rotation at Sterling and Stratton and WHEAT phase of the WSF rotation at Walsh in 1994-95.

| SLOPE POSITION          |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SUMMIT            |         |        | SIDESLOPE         |         |        | TOESLOPE          |         |        |
|                         | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        |
| STERLING:               |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 22                | 50      | -28    | 29                | 45      | -16    | 35                | 65      | -30    |
| 45                      | 10                | 34      | -24    | 21                | 15      | 6      | 25                | 53      | -28    |
| 75                      | 13                | 20      | -7     | 13                | 24      | -11    | 25                | 56      | -31    |
| 105                     | 10                | 16      | -6     | 12                | 44      | -32    | 25                | 40      | -15    |
| 135                     |                   |         |        | -                 | -       | -      | 13                | 37      | -24    |
| 155                     |                   |         |        | -                 | -       | -      | 7                 | 56      | -49    |
| TOTAL                   | 55                | 120     | -65    | 75                | 128     | -53    | 130               | 307     | -177   |
| STRATTON:               |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 37                | 14      | 23     | 41                | 27      | 14     | 70                | 40      | 30     |
| 45                      | 36                | 24      | 12     | 34                | 43      | -9     | 73                | 28      | 45     |
| 75                      | 30                | 21      | 9      | 42                | 55      | -13    | 78                | 51      | 27     |
| 105                     | 32                | 25      | 7      | 31                | 40      | -9     | 69                | 60      | 9      |
| 135                     | 32                | 29      | 3      | 31                | 34      | -3     | 44                | 41      | 3      |
| 155                     | 29                | 29      | 0      | 54                | 22      | 32     | 61                | 57      | 4      |
| TOTAL                   | 196               | 142     | 54     | 233               | 221     | 12     | 395               | 277     | 118    |
| WALSH:                  |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 35                | 0       | 35     | 42                | 0       | 42     | 48                | 0       | 48     |
| 45                      | 34                | 5       | 29     | 39                | 8       | 31     | 37                | 3       | 34     |
| 75                      | 29                | 0       | 29     | 16                | 5       | 11     | 46                | 0       | 46     |
| 105                     | 44                | 10      | 34     | 0                 | 2       | -2     | 57                | 12      | 45     |
| 135                     | 39                | 23      | 16     | 7                 | 0       | 7      | 47                | 12      | 35     |
| 155                     | 38                | 15      | 23     | 9                 | 11      | -2     | 84                | 39      | 45     |
| TOTAL                   | 219               | 53      | 166    | 113               | 26      | 87     | 319               | 66      | 253    |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 22. Available soil water by soil depth in the WHEAT phase of the WCSF rotation at Sterling and Stratton and WHEAT phase of the WSSF Rotation at Walsh in 1994-95. ,

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SLOPE POSITION    |            |            |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
|                         | SUMMIT            |            |            | SIDESLOPE         |            |            | TOESLOPE          |            |            |
|                         | PLANTING          | HARVEST    | CHANGE     | PLANTING          | HARVEST    | CHANGE     | PLANTING          | HARVEST    | CHANGE     |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |            |            | -----mm/30cm----- |            |            | -----mm/30cm----- |            |            |
| <b>STERLING:</b>        |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 15                      | 39                | 36         | 3          | 36                | 34         | 2          | 42                | 51         | -9         |
| 45                      | 25                | 15         | 10         | 42                | 29         | 13         | 21                | 42         | -21        |
| 75                      | 19                | 24         | -5         | 39                | 40         | -1         | 43                | 49         | -6         |
| 105                     | 22                | 14         | 8          | 38                | 47         | -9         | 51                | 33         | 18         |
| 135                     | -                 | -          | -          | -                 | -          | -          | 30                | 38         | -8         |
| 155                     | -                 | -          | -          | -                 | -          | -          | 20                | 37         | -17        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>105</b>        | <b>89</b>  | <b>16</b>  | <b>155</b>        | <b>150</b> | <b>5</b>   | <b>207</b>        | <b>250</b> | <b>-43</b> |
| <b>STRATTON:</b>        |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 15                      | 47                | 27         | 20         | 51                | 38         | 13         | 70                | 40         | 30         |
| 45                      | 35                | 28         | 7          | 39                | 31         | 8          | 61                | 41         | 20         |
| 75                      | 27                | 20         | 7          | 46                | 42         | 4          | 64                | 43         | 21         |
| 105                     | 31                | 25         | 6          | 42                | 41         | 1          | 60                | 52         | 8          |
| 135                     | 31                | 26         | 5          | 43                | 43         | 0          | 43                | 39         | 4          |
| 155                     | 32                | 31         | 1          | 50                | 42         | 8          | 33                | 29         | 4          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>203</b>        | <b>157</b> | <b>46</b>  | <b>271</b>        | <b>237</b> | <b>34</b>  | <b>331</b>        | <b>244</b> | <b>87</b>  |
| <b>WALSH:</b>           |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 15                      | 13                | 0          | 13         | 13                | 10         | 3          | 27                | 5          | 22         |
| 45                      | 10                | 7          | 3          | 4                 | 12         | -8         | 14                | 0          | 14         |
| 75                      | 8                 | 13         | -5         | 0                 | 10         | -10        | 22                | 3          | 19         |
| 105                     | 10                | 20         | -10        | 0                 | 30         | -30        | 46                | 22         | 24         |
| 135                     | 14                | 40         | -26        | 0                 | 21         | -21        | 41                | 19         | 22         |
| 155                     | 18                | 42         | -24        | 3                 | 35         | -32        | 79                | 26         | 53         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>73</b>         | <b>122</b> | <b>-49</b> | <b>20</b>         | <b>118</b> | <b>-98</b> | <b>229</b>        | <b>75</b>  | <b>154</b> |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 23. Available soil water by soil depth in the WHEAT phase of the OPPORTUNITY cropping rotation in 1994-95.

| SLOPE POSITION          |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SUMMIT            |         |        | SIDESLOPE         |         |        | TOESLOPE          |         |        |
|                         | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        |
| STERLING:               |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 48                | 34      | 14     | 37                | 40      | -3     | 45                | 52      | -7     |
| 45                      | 50                | 15      | 35     | 50                | 37      | 13     | 44                | 35      | 9      |
| 75                      | 23                | 17      | 6      | 64                | 45      | 19     | 52                | 39      | 13     |
| 105                     | 29                | 24      | 5      | 61                | 45      | 16     | 57                | 24      | 33     |
| 135                     | -                 | -       | -      | -                 | -       | -      | 26                | 27      | -1     |
| 155                     | -                 | -       | -      | -                 | -       | -      | 20                | 9       | 11     |
| TOTAL                   | 150               | 90      | 60     | 212               | 167     | 45     | 244               | 186     | 58     |
| STRATTON:               |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 44                | 11      | 33     | 46                | 33      | 13     | 69                | 40      | 29     |
| 45                      | 39                | 13      | 26     | 30                | 18      | 12     | 58                | 29      | 29     |
| 75                      | 30                | 10      | 20     | 35                | 24      | 11     | 76                | 62      | 14     |
| 105                     | 31                | 20      | 11     | 52                | 45      | 7      | 62                | 47      | 15     |
| 135                     | 26                | 18      | 8      | 40                | 35      | 5      | 41                | 37      | 4      |
| 155                     | 28                | 22      | 6      | 38                | 28      | 10     | 43                | 35      | 8      |
| TOTAL                   | 198               | 94      | 104    | 241               | 183     | 58     | 349               | 250     | 99     |
| WALSH:                  |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 34                | 0       | 34     | 47                | 16      | 31     | 47                | 4       | 43     |
| 45                      | 31                | 3       | 28     | 42                | 16      | 26     | 33                | 6       | 27     |
| 75                      | 46                | 5       | 41     | 20                | 2       | 18     | 44                | 4       | 40     |
| 105                     | 49                | 21      | 28     | 0                 | 0       | 0      | 58                | 18      | 40     |
| 135                     | 41                | 27      | 14     | 29                | 0       | 29     | 37                | 21      | 16     |
| 155                     | 43                | 24      | 19     | 25                | 5       | 20     | 69                | 35      |        |
| TOTAL                   | 244               | 80      | 164    | 163               | 39      | 124    | 288               | 88      | 166    |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 24. Available soil water by soil depth in the CORN phase of the WCF rotation at Sterling and Stratton and SORGHUM phase of the WSF rotation at Walsh in 1995.

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SLOPE POSITION    |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                         | SUMMIT            |                |               | SIDESLOPE         |                |               | TOESLOPE          |                |               |
|                         | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               |
| STERLING:               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 43                | 21             | 22            | 41                | 23             | 18            | 39                | 21             | 18            |
| 45                      | 57                | 8              | 49            | 56                | 11             | 45            | 44                | 9              | 35            |
| 75                      | 57                | 7              | 50            | 56                | 24             | 32            | 51                | 12             | 39            |
| 105                     | 33                | 15             | 18            | 52                | 23             | 29            | 60                | 22             | 38            |
| 135                     | -                 | -              | -             | -                 | -              | -             | 50                | 16             | 34            |
| 155                     | -                 | -              | -             | -                 | -              | -             | 43                | 16             | 27            |
| TOTAL                   | 190               | 51             | 139           | 205               | 81             | 124           | 287               | 96             | 191           |
| STRATTON:               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 20                | 0              | 20            | 37                | 23             | 14            | 46                | 18             | 28            |
| 45                      | 55                | 3              | 52            | 46                | 7              | 39            | 72                | 12             | 60            |
| 75                      | 44                | 4              | 40            | 51                | 9              | 42            | 79                | 37             | 42            |
| 105                     | 39                | 10             | 29            | 39                | 5              | 34            | 87                | 48             | 39            |
| 135                     | 34                | 17             | 17            | 34                | 7              | 27            | 67                | 42             | 25            |
| 155                     | 27                | 18             | 9             | 36                | 13             | 23            | 61                | 37             | 24            |
| TOTAL                   | 219               | 52             | 167           | 243               | 64             | 179           | 412               | 194            | 218           |
| WALSH:                  |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 8                 | 0              | 8             | 3                 | 0              | 3             | 0                 | 0              | 0             |
| 45                      | 31                | 4              | 27            | 39                | 3              | 36            | 37                | 0              | 37            |
| 75                      | 36                | 4              | 32            | 46                | 10             | 36            | 39                | 5              | 34            |
| 105                     | 52                | 18             | 34            | 47                | 11             | 36            | 56                | 16             | 40            |
| 135                     | 53                | 28             | 25            | 29                | 5              | 24            | 46                | 31             | 15            |
| 155                     | 49                | 51             | -2            | 44                | 24             | 20            | 49                | 36             | 13            |
| TOTAL                   | 229               | 105            | 124           | 208               | 53             | 155           | 227               | 88             | 139           |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 25. Available soil water by soil depth in the CORN phase of the WCSF rotation at Sterling and Stratton and SORGHUM-1 phase of the WSSF rotation at Walsh in 1995.

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SLOPE POSITION    |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                         | SUMMIT            |                |               | SIDESLOPE         |                |               | TOESLOPE          |                |               |
|                         | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               |
| STERLING:               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 57                | 23             | 34            | 37                | 14             | 23            | 48                | 28             | 20            |
| 45                      | 61                | 6              | 55            | 52                | 2              | 50            | 46                | 14             | 32            |
| 75                      | 54                | 25             | 29            | 45                | 4              | 41            | 55                | 11             | 44            |
| 105                     | 47                | 45             | 2             | 39                | 17             | 22            | 60                | 15             | 45            |
| 135                     |                   |                |               | -                 | -              | -             | 49                | 20             | 29            |
| 155                     |                   |                |               | -                 | -              | -             | 43                | 11             | 32            |
| TOTAL                   | 219               | 99             | 120           | 173               | 37             | 136           | 301               | 99             | 202           |
| STRATTON:               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 9                 | 1              | 8             | 27                | 23             | 4             | 30                | 23             | 7             |
| 45                      | 47                | 2              | 45            | 43                | 5              | 38            | 58                | 1              | 57            |
| 75                      | 35                | 10             | 25            | 51                | 10             | 41            | 67                | 2              | 65            |
| 105                     | 36                | 6              | 30            | 49                | 12             | 37            | 63                | 14             | 49            |
| 135                     | 37                | 13             | 24            | 49                | 18             | 31            | 44                | 36             | 8             |
| 155                     | 31                | 14             | 17            | 44                | 22             | 22            | 42                | 36             | 6             |
| TOTAL                   | 195               | 46             | 149           | 263               | 90             | 173           | 304               | 112            | 192           |
| WALSH:                  |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 10                | 2              | 8             | 8                 | 0              | 8             | 2                 | 0              | 2             |
| 45                      | 33                | 5              | 28            | 43                | 11             | 32            | 34                | 0              | 34            |
| 75                      | 38                | 6              | 32            | 46                | 12             | 34            | 36                | 6              | 30            |
| 105                     | 41                | 10             | 31            | 45                | 14             | 31            | 42                | 6              | 36            |
| 135                     | 49                | 26             | 23            | 22                | 4              | 18            | 38                | 19             | 19            |
| 155                     | 42                | 19             | 23            | 23                | 23             | 0             | 60                | 54             | 6             |
| TOTAL                   | 213               | 68             | 145           | 187               | 64             | 123           | 212               | 85             | 127           |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.



Table 26. Available soil water by soil depth in the SORGHUM-2 phase of the WSSF rotation at Walsh in 1995.

| SLOPE POSITION          |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SUMMIT            |         |        | SIDESLOPE         |         |        | TOESLOPE          |         |        |
|                         | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE | PLANTING          | HARVEST | CHANGE |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        | -----mm/30cm----- |         |        |
| WALSH:                  |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |                   |         |        |
| 15                      | 9                 | 0       | 9      | 2                 | 0       | 2      | 3                 | 0       | 3      |
| 45                      | 28                | 9       | 19     | 36                | 8       | 28     | 32                | 0       | 32     |
| 75                      | 27                | 7       | 20     | 29                | 1       | 28     | 39                | 8       | 31     |
| 105                     | 25                | 19      | 6      | 31                | 11      | 20     | 34                | 8       | 26     |
| 135                     | 37                | 43      | -6     | 14                | 6       | 8      | 15                | 0       | 15     |
| 155                     | 34                | 40      | -6     | 31                | 27      | 4      | 33                | 25      | 8      |
| TOTAL                   | 160               | 118     | 42     | 143               | 53      | 90     | 156               | 41      | 115    |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 27. Available soil water by soil depth in the CORN of the CS rotation at Walsh in 1995.

| SLOPE POSITION          |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SUMMIT            |                |               | SIDESLOPE         |                |               | TOESLOPE          |                |               |
|                         | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               |
| WALSH:                  |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 8                 | 0              | 8             | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 10                | 0              | 10            |
| 45                      | 33                | 7              | 26            | 41                | 0              | 41            | 20                | 0              | 20            |
| 75                      | 31                | 4              | 27            | 33                | 0              | 33            | 39                | 7              | 32            |
| 105                     | 54                | 30             | 24            | 10                | 4              | 6             | 43                | 23             | 20            |
| 135                     | 46                | 38             | 8             | 1                 | 0              | 1             | 35                | 29             | 6             |
| 155                     | 40                | 38             | 2             | 4                 | 2              | 2             | 43                | 46             | -3            |
| TOTAL                   | 212               | 117            | 95            | 89                | 6              | 83            | 190               | 105            | 85            |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 28. Available soil water by soil depth in the SUNFLOWER phase of the CS rotation at Walsh in 1995.

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SLOPE POSITION    |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                         | SUMMIT            |                |               | SIDESLOPE         |                |               | TOESLOPE          |                |               |
|                         | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               |
| WALSH:                  |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 15                | 0              | 15            | 7                 | 0              | 7             | 12                | 0              | 12            |
| 45                      | 34                | 5              | 29            | 25                | 0              | 25            | 27                | 0              | 27            |
| 75                      | 34                | 5              | 29            | 32                | 0              | 32            | 40                | 2              | 38            |
| 105                     | 45                | 21             | 24            | 18                | 3              | 15            | 48                | 13             | 35            |
| 135                     | 27                | 13             | 14            | 19                | 10             | 9             | 50                | 28             | 22            |
| 155                     | 13                | 0              | 13            | 34                | 24             | 10            | 66                | 43             | 23            |
| TOTAL                   | 168               | 44             | 124           | 135               | 37             | 98            | 243               | 86             | 157           |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 29. Available soil water by soil depth in the FORAGE SORGHUM phase of the WCSF in 1995.

| SLOPE POSITION          |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | SUMMIT            |                |               | SIDESLOPE         |                |               | TOESLOPE          |                |               |
|                         | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> | <u>PLANTING</u>   | <u>HARVEST</u> | <u>CHANGE</u> |
|                         | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               | -----mm/30cm----- |                |               |
| <b>STERLING:</b>        |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 38                | 24             | 14            | 33                | 25             | 8             | 38                | 25             | 13            |
| 45                      | 56                | 10             | 46            | 53                | 18             | 35            | 46                | 17             | 29            |
| 75                      | 40                | 8              | 32            | 55                | 25             | 30            | 60                | 43             | 17            |
| 105                     | 35                | 12             | 23            | 54                | 14             | 40            | 58                | 32             | 26            |
| 135                     | -                 | -              | -             | -                 | -              | -             | 35                | 14             | 21            |
| 155                     | -                 | -              | -             | -                 | -              | -             | 33                | 16             | 17            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>169</b>        | <b>54</b>      | <b>115</b>    | <b>195</b>        | <b>82</b>      | <b>113</b>    | <b>270</b>        | <b>147</b>     | <b>123</b>    |
| <b>STRATTON:</b>        |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |                   |                |               |
| 15                      | 27                | 6              | 21            | 43                | 23             | 20            | 55                | 33             | 22            |
| 45                      | 47                | 9              | 38            | 46                | 8              | 38            | 75                | 24             | 51            |
| 75                      | 48                | 10             | 38            | 53                | 20             | 33            | 79                | 34             | 45            |
| 105                     | 50                | 19             | 31            | 48                | 17             | 31            | 75                | 43             | 32            |
| 135                     | 52                | 28             | 24            | 48                | 18             | 30            | 50                | 25             | 25            |
| 155                     | 52                | 27             | 25            | 49                | 18             | 31            | 54                | 47             | 7             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>276</b>        | <b>99</b>      | <b>177</b>    | <b>287</b>        | <b>104</b>     | <b>183</b>    | <b>388</b>        | <b>206</b>     | <b>182</b>    |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.0

**Table 30. Available soil water by depth at various dates in GROWING WHEAT before harvest and WHEAT STUBBLE after harvest in the WF rotation at all three sites on summit soils in 1995.**

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | DAY                               |                |                |                |                                  |                |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
|                         | <u>9/07/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/18/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/27/95</u> | <u>7/11/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/10/95</u> |
| mm/30cm                 |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| STERLING:               |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| 15                      | 33                                | 40             | 38             | 49             | 45                               | 57             |
| 45                      | 18                                | 54             | 61             | 49             | 30                               | 44             |
| 75                      | 23                                | 33             | 42             | 27             | 24                               | 24             |
| 105                     | 29                                | 24             | 28             | 25             | 28                               | 18             |
| 135                     |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| 155                     |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| TOTAL                   | 103                               | 151            | 169            | 150            | 127                              | 143            |

|           | <u>11/10/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/16/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/28/95</u> | <u>7/12/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/09/95</u> |
|-----------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| mm/30cm   |                                    |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| STRATTON: |                                    |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| 15        | 39                                 | 20             | 26             | 22             | 23                               | 33             |
| 45        | 34                                 | 43             | 44             | 23             | 20                               | 25             |
| 75        | 29                                 | 32             | 36             | 20             | 18                               | 20             |
| 105       | 30                                 | 28             | 36             | 25             | 22                               | 24             |
| 135       | 35                                 | 31             | 39             | 32             | 30                               | 30             |
| 155       | 34                                 | 28             | 38             | 31             | 28                               | 27             |
| TOTAL     | 201                                | 182            | 219            | 153            | 141                              | 159            |

|         | <u>10/04/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/15/95</u> | <u>6/08/95</u> | <u>6/26/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>7/13/95</u> | <u>8/08/95</u> |
|---------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| mm/30cm |                                    |                |                |                                  |                |                |
| WALSH:  |                                    |                |                |                                  |                |                |
| 15      | 31                                 | 0              | 0              | 0                                | 11             | 15             |
| 45      | 20                                 | 6              | 3              | 2                                | 22             | 24             |
| 75      | 24                                 | 0              | 0              | 0                                | 1              | 9              |
| 105     | 34                                 | 8              | 4              | 1                                | 0              | 1              |
| 135     | 41                                 | 33             | 27             | 18                               | 17             | 19             |
| 155     | 49                                 | 38             | 31             | 24                               | 24             | 25             |
| TOTAL   | 199                                | 85             | 65             | 45                               | 75             | 93             |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

**Table 31. Available soil water by depth at various dates in GROWING WHEAT before harvest and WHEAT STUBBLE after harvest in the WCF rotation at all three sites on summit soils in 1995.**

|                         |                                    | DAY            |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|--|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | <u>9/07/94</u><br><i>planting</i>  | <u>5/18/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/27/95</u>                   | <u>7/11/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/10/95</u> |  |
| mm/30cm                 |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| STERLING:               |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| 15                      | 22                                 | 33             | 30             | 50                               | 36                               | 50             |  |
| 45                      | 10                                 | 54             | 54             | 52                               | 22                               | 34             |  |
| 75                      | 13                                 | 35             | 47             | 32                               | 27                               | 20             |  |
| 105                     | 10                                 | 25             | 29             | 23                               | 25                               | 16             |  |
| 135                     |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| 155                     |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| TOTAL                   | 55                                 | 147            | 160            | 157                              | 110                              | 120            |  |
|                         |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
|                         | <u>11/10/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/16/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/28/95</u>                   | <u>7/12/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/09/95</u> |  |
| mm/30cm                 |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| STRATTON:               |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| 15                      | 37                                 | 10             | 3              | 14                               | 14                               | 30             |  |
| 45                      | 36                                 | 52             | 52             | 28                               | 24                               | 32             |  |
| 75                      | 30                                 | 36             | 40             | 22                               | 21                               | 19             |  |
| 105                     | 32                                 | 36             | 43             | 28                               | 25                               | 24             |  |
| 135                     | 32                                 | 31             | 39             | 30                               | 29                               | 24             |  |
| 155                     | 29                                 | 30             | 37             | 23                               | 29                               | 22             |  |
| TOTAL                   | 196                                | 195            | 214            | 145                              | 142                              | 151            |  |
|                         |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
|                         | <u>10/04/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/15/95</u> | <u>6/08/95</u> | <u>6/26/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>7/13/95</u>                   | <u>8/08/95</u> |  |
| mm/30cm                 |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| WALSH:                  |                                    |                |                |                                  |                                  |                |  |
| f 5                     | 35                                 | 0              | 0              | 0                                | 5                                | 8              |  |
| 45                      | 34                                 | 9              | 6              | 5                                | 28                               | 29             |  |
| 75                      | 29                                 | 2              | 1              | 0                                | 8                                | 17             |  |
| 105                     | 44                                 | 15             | 12             | 10                               | 9                                | 11             |  |
| 135                     | 39                                 | 35             | 28             | 23                               | 26                               | 24             |  |
| 155                     | 38                                 | 28             | 22             | 15                               | 16                               | 18             |  |
| TOTAL                   | 219                                | 89             | 69             | 53                               | 92                               | 107            |  |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

**Table 32. Available soil water by depth at various dates in GROWING WHEAT before harvest and WHEAT STUBBLE after harvest in the WCSF rotation at all three sites on summit soils in 1995.**

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | DAY                               |                |                |                |                                  |                |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
|                         | <u>9107/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/18/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/27/95</u> | <u>7/11/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/10/95</u> |
| mm/30cm                 |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| STERLING:               |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| 15                      | 39                                | 38             | 32             | 52             | 36                               | 54             |
| 45                      | 25                                | 59             | 65             | 55             | 15                               | 38             |
| 75                      | 19                                | 34             | 41             | 30             | 24                               | 19             |
| 105                     | 22                                | 17             | 24             | 23             | 14                               | 16             |
| 135                     |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| 155                     |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| TOTAL                   | 105                               | 148            | 162            | 160            | 89                               | 127            |

|           | <u>11/10/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/16/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/28/95</u> | <u>7/12/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/09/95</u> |
|-----------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| mm/30cm   |                                    |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| STRATTON: |                                    |                |                |                |                                  |                |
| 15        | 47                                 | 0              | 13             | 21             | 27                               | 39             |
| 45        | 35                                 | 49             | 49             | 31             | 28                               | 36             |
| 75        | 27                                 | 32             | 39             | 22             | 20                               | 21             |
| 105       | 31                                 | 30             | 41             | 26             | 25                               | 26             |
| 135       | 31                                 | 29             | 39             | 31             | 26                               | 31             |
| 155       | 32                                 | 30             | 38             | 32             | 31                               | 33             |
| TOTAL     | 203                                | 170            | 219            | 163            | 157                              | 186            |

|         | <u>10/04/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/15/95</u> | <u>6/08/95</u> | <u>6/26/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>7/13/95</u> | <u>8/08/95</u> |
|---------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| mm/30cm |                                    |                |                |                                  |                |                |
| WALSH:  |                                    |                |                |                                  |                |                |
| 15      | 13                                 | 17             | 12             | 0                                | 6              | 5              |
| 45      | 10                                 | 27             | 22             | 7                                | 10             | 3              |
| 75      | 8                                  | 26             | 23             | 13                               | 11             | 5              |
| 105     | 10                                 | 28             | 33             | 20                               | 20             | 14             |
| 135     | 14                                 | 41             | 47             | 40                               | 41             | 39             |
| 155     | 18                                 | 47             | 46             | 42                               | 44             | 46             |
| TOTAL   | 73                                 | 186            | 183            | 122                              | 132            | 112            |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

**Table 33. Available soil water by depth at various dates in GROWING WHEAT before harvest and WHEAT STUBBLE after harvest in the OPPORTUNITY rotation at all three sites on summit soils 1995.**

|                         |                                   | DAY            |                |                |                                  |                |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|--|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | <u>9/07/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/18/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/27/95</u> | <u>7/11/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/10/95</u> |  |
| mm/30cm                 |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |  |
| STERLING:               |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |  |
| 15                      |                                   | 48             | 42             | 46             | 34                               | 45             |  |
| 45                      |                                   | 50             | 56             | 34             | 15                               | 15             |  |
| 75                      |                                   | 23             | 24             | 21             | 17                               | 20             |  |
| 105                     |                                   | 29             | 28             | 27             | 24                               | 23             |  |
| 135                     |                                   |                |                | .              |                                  |                |  |
| 155                     |                                   |                |                |                |                                  |                |  |
| TOTAL                   | 0                                 | 150            | 150            | 128            | 90                               | 103            |  |

|           | <u>11/10/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/16/95</u> | <u>6/13/95</u> | <u>6/28/5</u> | <u>7/12/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>8/09/95</u> |
|-----------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| mm/30cm   |                                    |                |                |               |                                  |                |
| STRATTON: |                                    |                |                |               |                                  |                |
| 15        | 44                                 | 16             | 24             | 17            | 11                               | 20             |
| 45        | 39                                 | 53             | 53             | 20            | 13                               | 14             |
| 75        | 30                                 | 35             | 40             | 22            | 10                               | 15             |
| 105       | 31                                 | 32             | 36             | 26            | 20                               | 19             |
| 135       | 26                                 | 28             | 31             | 23            | 18                               | 14             |
| 155       | 28                                 | 25             | 33             | 25            | 22                               | 21             |
| TOTAL     | 198                                | 189            | 217            | 133           | 94                               | 103            |

|         | <u>10/04/94</u><br><i>planting</i> | <u>5/15/95</u> | <u>6/08/95</u> | <u>6/26/95</u><br><i>harvest</i> | <u>7/13/85</u> | <u>8/08/1985</u> |
|---------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| mm/30cm |                                    |                |                |                                  |                |                  |
| WALSH:  |                                    |                |                |                                  |                |                  |
| 15      | 34                                 | 0              | 0              | 0                                | 10             | 15               |
| 45      | 31                                 | 8              | 5              | 3                                | 25             | 26               |
| 75      | 46                                 | 11             | 8              | 5                                | 15             | 27               |
| 105     | 49                                 | 31             | 25             | 21                               | 22             | 25               |
| 135     | 41                                 | 39             | 33             | 27                               | 35             | 30               |
| 155     | 43                                 | 17             | 31             | 24                               | 26             | 28               |
| TOTAL   | 244                                | 106            | 102            | 80                               | 133            | 151              |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.



Table 34. Available soil water by depth at various dates for CORN in the WCF rotation at Sterling and Stratton and SORGHUM in the WSF rotation at Walsh on summit soils in 1995.

|                         |                | DAY            |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | <u>5/18/95</u> | <u>7/11/95</u> | <u>8/02/95</u> | <u>8/10/95</u> | <u>9/01/95</u> | <u>10/08/95</u> |                 |  |
| mm/30cm                 |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| STERLING:               |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| 15                      | 43             | 51             | 41             | 35             | 21             | 21              |                 |  |
| 45                      | 57             | 46             | 42             | 26             | 15             | 8               |                 |  |
| 75                      | 57             | 48             | 33             | 26             | 10             | 7               |                 |  |
| 105                     | 33             | 31             | 27             | 26             | 17             | 15              |                 |  |
| 135                     | -              |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| 155                     | -              |                |                | -              |                |                 |                 |  |
| TOTAL                   | 190            | 176            | 144            | 113            | 63             | 50              |                 |  |
|                         |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
|                         | <u>5/16/95</u> | <u>6/28/95</u> | <u>7/12/95</u> | <u>8/01/95</u> | <u>8/09/95</u> | <u>8/31/95</u>  | <u>10/11/95</u> |  |
|                         |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| STRATTON:               |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| 15                      | 20             | 31             | 37             | 10             | 3              | 0               | 0               |  |
| 45                      | 55             | 52             | 42             | 17             | 8              | 4               | 3               |  |
| 75                      | 44             | 51             | 43             | 30             | 21             | 7               | 4               |  |
| 105                     | 39             | 47             | 43             | 34             | 30             | 17              | 10              |  |
| 135                     | 34             | 49             | 44             | 38             | 37             | 24              | 17              |  |
| 155                     | 27             | 47             | 44             | 37             | 34             | 24              | 18              |  |
| TOTAL                   | 218            | 276            | 216            | 165            | 132            | 77              | 53              |  |
|                         |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
|                         | <u>6/08/95</u> | <u>8/08/95</u> | <u>8/30/95</u> | <u>9/28/95</u> |                |                 |                 |  |
| mm/30cm                 |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| WALSH:                  |                |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |  |
| 15                      | 8              | 1              | 0              | 0              |                |                 |                 |  |
| 45                      | 31             | 12             | 4              | 4              |                |                 |                 |  |
| 75                      | 36             | 21             | 3              | 4              |                |                 |                 |  |
| 105                     | 52             | 44             | 22             | 18             |                |                 |                 |  |
| 135                     | 53             | 54             | 34             | 28             |                |                 |                 |  |
| 155                     | 49             | 55             | 36             | 51             |                |                 |                 |  |
| TOTAL                   | 229            | 187            | 99             | 104            |                |                 |                 |  |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

**Table 35. Available soil water by depth at various dates for CORN in the WCSF rotation at Sterling and Stratton and SORGHUM in the WSSF rotation at Walsh on summit soils in 1995.**

| SITE<br>&<br>DEPTH (cm) | DAY        |            |            |            |           |           |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
|                         | 5/18/95    | 7/11/95    | 8/02/95    | 8/10/95    | 9/01/95   | 10/08/95  |
|                         | mm/30cm    |            |            |            |           |           |
| <b>STERLING</b>         |            |            |            |            |           |           |
| 15                      | 57         | 66         | 47         | 35         | 16        | 23        |
| 45                      | 61         | 40         | 39         | 22         | 7         | 6         |
| 75                      | 54         | 52         | 45         | 43         | 27        | 25        |
| 105                     | 47         | 49         | 53         | 51         | 48        | 45        |
| f35                     |            |            | .          |            |           |           |
| 155                     |            |            |            |            |           |           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>218</b> | <b>207</b> | <b>184</b> | <b>152</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>99</b> |

|                  | <u>5/16/95</u> | <u>6/28/95</u> | <u>7/12/95</u> | <u>8/01/95</u> | <u>8/09/95</u> | <u>8/31/95</u> | <u>10/11/95</u> |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
|                  | mm/30cm        |                |                |                |                |                |                 |
| <b>STRATTON:</b> |                |                |                |                |                |                |                 |
| 15               | 9              | 33             | 27             | 12             | 5              | 2              | 1               |
| 45               | 47             | 46             | 26             | 15             | 5              | 3              | 2               |
| 75               | 35             | 42             | 20             | 23             | 12             | 4              | 10              |
| 105              | 36             | 47             | 25             | 35             | 26             | 8              | 6               |
| 135              | 37             | 54             | 26             | 46             | 39             | 23             | 13              |
| 155              | 31             | 57             | 31             | 46             | 38             | 34             | 14              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>195</b>     | <b>281</b>     | <b>131</b>     | <b>177</b>     | <b>130</b>     | <b>73</b>      | <b>46</b>       |

|               | <u>6/08/95</u> | <u>8/06/95</u> | <u>8/30/95</u> | <u>9/28/95</u> |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|               | mm/3Ccm        |                |                |                |
| <b>WALSH:</b> |                |                |                |                |
| 15            | 10             | 10             | 0              | 2              |
| 45            | 33             | 21             | 6              | 5              |
| 75            | 36             | 25             | 6              | 6              |
| 105           | 41             | 36             | 13             | 10             |
| 135           | 49             | 47             | 32             | 26             |
| 155           | 42             | 40             | 30             | 19             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>213</b>     | <b>178</b>     | <b>66</b>      | <b>68</b>      |

1. To convert from millimeters of H2O/30 centimeters of soil to inches of H2O/foot of soil multiply by 0.04.

Table 36a . Total Nitrogen and Phosphorus content of WHEAT GRAIN in the 1994-1995 crop.

| SLOPE POSITION        |          |          |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT   |          |          |          | SIDESLOPE |          |          |          | TOESLOPE |          |          |          |
|                       | NP Side* |          | NP Side  |          | NP Side*  |          | NP Side  |          | NP Side* |          | NP Side  |          |
|                       | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
|                       | -----    |          | -----    |          | -----     |          | -----    |          | -----    |          | -----    |          |
| STERLING:             |          |          |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| WF                    | 2.57     | 0.49     | 2.44     | 0.53     | 2.46      | 0.44     | 2.20     | 0.43     | 2.43     | 0.43     | 2.45     | 0.46     |
| WCF                   | 2.45     | 0.48     | 2.41     | 0.47     | 2.27      | 0.47     | 2.20     | 0.47     | 2.20     | 0.46     | 2.18     | 0.45     |
| WCSF                  | 2.19     | 0.42     | 2.26     | 0.46     | 2.05      | 0.40     | 1.96     | 0.39     | 2.12     | 0.47     | 2.25     | 0.46     |
| OPP                   | 2.42     | 0.47     | 2.50     | 0.50     | 2.41      | 0.41     | 2.21     | 0.43     | 2.25     | 0.48     | 2.35     | 0.47     |
|                       |          |          |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|                       | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| STRATTON:             |          |          |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| WF                    | 2.24     | 0.42     | 2.16     | 0.46     | 2.38      | 0.39     | 2.28     | 0.41     | 2.13     | 0.42     | 2.52     | 0.41     |
| WCF                   | 2.40     | 0.39     | 2.26     | 0.40     | 2.52      | 0.37     | 2.42     | 0.40     | 2.06     | 0.45     | 2.09     | 0.47     |
| WCSF                  | 2.19     | 0.46     | 2.21     | 0.48     | 2.35      | 0.38     | 2.31     | 0.44     | 2.23     | 0.46     | 2.13     | 0.42     |
| OPP                   | 2.36     | 0.41     | 2.35     | 0.40     | 2.43      | 0.41     | 2.40     | 0.45     | 2.24     | 0.44     | 2.24     | 0.46     |
|                       |          |          |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|                       | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| WALSH:                |          |          |          |          |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| WF                    | 2.44     | 0.36     | 2.63     | 0.30     |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| WSF                   | 2.32     | 0.33     | 2.36     | 0.36     |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| WSSF                  | 2.44     | 0.35     | 2.47     | 0.39     |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| OPP                   | 2.39     | 0.38     | 2.32     | 0.38     |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |

\* 1st year of receiving phosphorus.

Table 36b. Total Nitrogen and Phosphorus content of WHEAT STRAW in the 1994-1995 crop.

| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SLOPE POSITION |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
|                       | SUMMIT         |          |          |          | SIDESLOPE     |          |          |          |
|                       | NP Side*       |          | NP Side  |          | NP Side*      |          | NP Side  |          |
|                       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| STERLING:             | ----- % -----  |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          |
| WF                    | 0.38           | 0.07     | 0.40     | 0.07     | 0.39          | 0.08     | 0.34     | 0.05     |
| WCF                   | 0.42           | 0.06     | 0.34     | 0.07     | 0.29          | 0.03     | 0.30     | 0.05     |
| WCSF                  | 0.31           | 0.05     | 0.33     | 0.07     | 0.27          | 0.04     | 0.28     | 0.06     |
| OPP                   | 0.33           | 0.05     | 0.30     | 0.05     | 0.38          | 0.04     | 0.34     | 0.04     |
|                       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| STRATTON:             | ----- % -----  |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          |
| WF                    | 0.34           | 0.07     | 0.35     | 0.06     | 0.38          | 0.03     | 0.35     | 0.04     |
| WCF                   | 0.44           | 0.04     | 0.37     | 0.04     | 0.38          | 0.03     | 0.36     | 0.04     |
| WCSF                  | 0.31           | 0.04     | 0.31     | 0.04     | 0.35          | 0.03     | 0.36     | 0.04     |
| OPP                   | 0.42           | 0.05     | 0.64     | 0.07     | 0.36          | 0.03     | 0.40     | 0.04     |
|                       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| WALSH:                | ----- % -----  |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          |
| WE                    | 0.64           | 0.05     | 0.65     | 0.05     | 0.58          | 0.04     | 0.54     | 0.05     |
| WSF                   | 0.67           | 0.05     | 0.51     | 0.04     | 0.59          | 0.04     | 0.66     | 0.05     |
| WSSF                  | 0.59           | 0.05     | 0.57     | 0.04     | 0.61          | 0.05     | 0.58     | 0.05     |
| OPP                   | 0.71           | 0.05     | 0.71     | 0.05     | 0.66          | 0.04     | 0.80     | 0.06     |

\* 1st year of receiving phosphorus.

Table 37a. Total Nitrogen and Phosphorus content of CORN & SORGHUM GRAIN in the 1995 crop.

| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SLOPE POSITION |          |               |          |           |          |               |          |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|----------|-----------|----------|---------------|----------|
|                       | SUMMIT         |          |               |          | SIDESLOPE |          |               |          |
|                       | NP Side*       |          | NP Side       |          | NP Side*  |          | NP Side       |          |
|                       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> |
| <b>STERLING:</b>      | -----          |          | ----- % ----- |          | -----     |          | ----- % ----- |          |
| WCF                   | 1.73           | 0.37     | 1.70          | 0.41     | 1.64      | 0.29     | 1.66          | 0.35     |
| WCSF                  | 1.83           | 0.39     | 1.74          | 0.41     | 1.77      | 0.35     | 1.62          | 0.39     |
|                       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> |
| <b>STRATTON:</b>      | -----          |          | ----- % ----- |          | -----     |          | ----- % ----- |          |
| WCF                   | 1.69           | 0.30     | 1.68          | 0.34     | 1.60      | 0.35     | 1.67          | 0.32     |
| WCSF                  | 1.64           | 0.25     | 1.69          | 0.33     | 1.67      | 0.30     | 1.63          | 0.34     |
|                       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> |
| <b>WALSH:</b>         | -----          |          | ----- % ----- |          | -----     |          | ----- % ----- |          |
| WSF                   | 1.80           | 0.20     | 1.77          | 0.16     | 1.82      | 0.22     | 1.78          | 0.22     |
| WSSF-1                | 1.78           | 0.26     | 1.79          | 0.25     | 1.75      | 0.16     | 1.77          | 0.18     |
| WSSF-2                | 1.55           | 0.17     | 1.72          | 0.18     | 1.55      | 0.17     | 1.74          | 0.21     |
| CS(Sunflower)         | 2.90           | 0.45     | 2.90          | 0.45     |           |          |               |          |
| CS (Corn)             | 1.64           | 0.31     | 1.51          | 0.32     | 1.61      | 0.32     | 1.54          | 0.33     |

Table 37b. Total Nitrogen and Phosphorus content of CORN & SORGHUM STOVER in the 1995 crop.

| SLOPE POSITION        |               |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT        |          |          |          | SIDESLOPE     |          |          |          | TOESLOPE      |          |          |          |
|                       | N Side        |          | NP Side  |          | N Side        |          | NP Side  |          | N Side        |          | NP Side  |          |
|                       | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| STERLING:             | ----- % ----- |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          |
| WCF                   | 0.86          | 0.04     | 0.87     | 0.06     | 0.72          | 0.04     | 0.67     | 0.05     | 0.49          | 0.04     | 0.51     | 0.05     |
| WCSF                  | 1.03          | 0.04     | 1.11     | 0.07     | 0.69          | 0.03     | 0.65     | 0.04     | 0.63          | 0.04     | 0.68     | 0.06     |
|                       |               |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |
|                       | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| STRATTON:             | ----- % ----- |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          |
| WCF                   | 0.81          | 0.03     | 0.79     | 0.03     | 0.79          | 0.07     | 0.89     | 0.05     | 0.66          | 0.09     | 0.72     | 0.09     |
| WCSF                  | 0.84          | 0.05     | 0.89     | 0.05     | 0.81          | 0.04     | 0.75     | 0.05     | 0.83          | 0.07     | 0.77     | 0.09     |
|                       |               |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |
|                       | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u> |
| WALSH:                | ----- % ----- |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          | ----- % ----- |          |          |          |
| WSF                   | 0.79          | 0.06     | 0.82     | 0.08     | 0.70          | 0.06     | 0.67     | 0.09     | 0.59          | 0.14     | 0.72     | 0.17     |
| WSSF-1                | 0.77          | 0.08     | 0.69     | 0.10     | 0.62          | 0.07     | 0.69     | 0.06     | 0.55          | 0.10     | 0.61     | 0.11     |
| WSSF-2                | 0.77          | 0.07     | 0.62     | 0.06     | 0.59          | 0.05     | 0.72     | 0.09     | 0.60          | 0.13     | 2.19     | 0.13     |
| CS(Sunflower)         | 1.05          | 0.07     | 1.08     | 0.08     | 1.25          | 0.09     | 1.05     | 0.12     | 1.02          | 0.19     | 0.49     | 0.18     |
| CS (Corn)             | 0.70          | 0.06     | 0.70     | 0.06     | 0.76          | 0.07     | 0.43     | 0.06     | 0.68          | 0.09     | 0.92     | 0.10     |

Table 38. Total Nitrogen and Phosphorus content of Forage Sorghum in the 1995 crop.

|                       |               | SLOPE POSITION |                |          |               |           |                |          |               |          |                |          |  |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------|---------------|----------|----------------|----------|--|
|                       |               | SUMMIT         |                |          |               | SIDESLOPE |                |          |               | TOESLOPE |                |          |  |
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | <i>N Side</i> |                | <i>NP Side</i> |          | <i>N Side</i> |           | <i>NP Side</i> |          | <i>N Side</i> |          | <i>NP Side</i> |          |  |
|                       | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u>       | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u>  | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>      | <u>P</u> | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u> |  |
| STERLING:             | -----         |                | ----- % -----  |          | ----- % ----- |           | -----          |          | ----- % ----- |          | -----          |          |  |
| WCSF                  | 1.38          | 0.13           | 1.45           | 0.14     | 1.23          | 0.15      | 1.33           | 0.16     | 1.00          | 0.18     | 1.05           | 0.17     |  |
|                       |               | <u>N</u>       | <u>P</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u>      | <u>N</u>  | <u>P</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u>      | <u>N</u> | <u>P</u>       | <u>P</u> |  |
| STRATTON:             | -----         |                | ----- % -----  |          | ----- % ----- |           | -----          |          | ----- % ----- |          | -----          |          |  |
| WCSF                  | 1.00          | 0.09           | 0.83           | 0.13     | 1.29          | 0.13      | 1.23           | 0.13     | 1.24          | 0.18     | 1.26           | 0.23     |  |

**Table 39. Total Nitrogen content of Perennial Grass biomass in 1995.**

| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SLOPE POSITION          |                         |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                       | SUMMIT                  | SIDE                    | TOESLOPE                |
|                       | <u>N</u>                | <u>N</u>                | <u>N</u>                |
| <b>STERLING:</b>      | -----%-----             | -----%-----             | -----%-----             |
| Grass                 | 0.56                    | 0.46                    | 0.46                    |
| <b>STRATTON:</b>      | <u>N</u><br>-----%----- | <u>N</u><br>-----%----- | <u>N</u><br>-----%----- |
| Grass                 | 0.38                    | 0.43                    | 0.65                    |
| <b>WALSH:</b>         | <u>N</u><br>-----%----- | <u>N</u><br>-----%----- | <u>N</u><br>-----%----- |
| Grass                 | 0.36                    | 0.31                    | 0.53                    |



Table 40. Nitrate-N content of the soil profile at PLANTING for each crop during the 1994-1995 crop year.

| SLOPE POSITION        |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| SITE<br>&<br>ROTATION | SUMMIT           |                           |                     | SIDESLOPE        |                           |                     | TOESLOPE         |                           |                     |
|                       | Crop & Time      |                           |                     | Crop & Time      |                           |                     | Crop & Time      |                           |                     |
|                       | WHEAT<br>FALL 94 | CORN<br>SPR.95            | FORAGE<br>SPR.95    | WHEAT<br>FALL 94 | CORN<br>SPR.95            | FORAGE<br>SPR.95    | WHEAT<br>FALL 94 | CORN<br>SPR.95            | FORAGE<br>SPR.95    |
| STERLING:             | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     |
| WF                    | 76               |                           |                     | 84               |                           |                     | 67               |                           |                     |
| WCF                   | 51               | 89                        |                     | 58               | 69                        |                     | 50               | 41                        |                     |
| WCSF                  | 52               | 82                        | 77                  | 34               | 50                        | 40                  | 46               | 66                        | 86                  |
| OPP                   | 64               |                           |                     | 55               |                           |                     | 44               |                           |                     |
| GRASS                 |                  |                           | 11                  |                  |                           | 7                   |                  |                           | 9                   |
|                       |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |
| STRATTON:             | WHEAT<br>FALL 94 | CORN<br>SPR.95            | FORAGE<br>SPR.95    | WHEAT<br>FALL 94 | CORN<br>SPR.95            | FORAGE<br>SPR.95    | WHEAT<br>FALL 94 | CORN<br>SPR.95            | FORAGE<br>SPR.95    |
|                       | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     |
|                       |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |
| WF                    | 102              |                           |                     | 141              |                           |                     | 107              |                           |                     |
| WCF                   | 71               | 28                        |                     | 47               | 39                        |                     | 60               | 62                        |                     |
| WCSF                  | 40               | 19                        | 32                  | 74               | 33                        | 34                  | 126              | 73                        | 69                  |
| OPP                   | 139              |                           |                     | 119              |                           |                     | 139              |                           |                     |
| GRASS                 |                  |                           | 3                   |                  |                           | 3                   |                  |                           | 3                   |
|                       |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |
| WALSH:                | WHEAT<br>FALL 93 | CORN<br>SORGHUM<br>SPR.94 | SUNFLOWER<br>SPR.94 | WHEAT<br>FALL 93 | CORN<br>SORGHUM<br>SPR.94 | SUNFLOWER<br>SPR.94 | WHEAT<br>FALL 93 | CORN<br>SORGHUM<br>SPR.94 | SUNFLOWER<br>SPR.94 |
|                       | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     | Kg/ha NO3-N      |                           |                     |
|                       |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |                  |                           |                     |
| WF                    | 90               |                           |                     | 106              |                           |                     | 69               |                           |                     |
| WSF                   | 55               | 70                        |                     | 59               | 76                        |                     | 49               | 81                        |                     |
| W(S)SF                | 36               | 49                        |                     | 33               | 25                        |                     | 36               | 54                        |                     |
| WS(S)F                |                  | 43                        |                     |                  | 54                        |                     |                  | 53                        |                     |
| CS (Sunflower)        |                  |                           | 78                  |                  |                           | 154                 |                  |                           | 76                  |
| CS (Corn)             |                  | 51                        |                     |                  | 54                        |                     |                  | 46                        |                     |
| OPP                   | 127              |                           |                     | 125              |                           |                     | 62               |                           |                     |
| GRASS                 |                  |                           | 11                  |                  |                           | 11                  |                  |                           | 19                  |

1. For conversion to lbs/Acre multiply Kg/ha by 0.893.

**APPENDIX I**  
**ANNUAL HERBICIDE PROGRAMS**  
**FOR EACH LOCATION**

Table 1. Herbicide rate, cost and date applied at STERLING SITE in 1995 Season.

| Rotation<br>Crop                             | Herbicide       | Rate<br>[English] | Rate<br>[Metric] | Weed<br>Pressure | Herbicide<br>Cost | Date<br>Applied |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-FALLOW</b>                |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| WHEAT  | Banvel          | 4 oz              | .29 l/ha         | III              | \$ 2.56           | April 5         |
|  | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 1/2 pt/Acre       | .58 l/ha         | III              | \$ .67            | April 5         |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | April 5         |
|  | Command 4 EC    | 1 pt/A            | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$11.31           | Sept. 14        |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1 pt/A            | 1.75 l/ha        | I                | \$ 1.56           | Sept. 14        |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | Sept. 14        |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | August 18       |
| FALLOW                                       | Landmaster BW   | 54 oz/Acre        | 3.94 l/ha        | I                | \$ 7.93           | June 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | July 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | August 18       |
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-CORN-FALLOW</b>           |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| WHEAT  | Banvel          | 4 oz              | .29 l/ha         | III              | \$ 2.56           | April 5         |
|  | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 1/2 pt/Acm        | .56 l/ha         | III              | \$ .67            | April 5         |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | April 5         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | August 18       |
|  | Command 4 EC    | 1.0 Pt/Acre       | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$11.31           | Sept. 14        |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1.0 Pt/Acre       | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$ 1.58           | Sept. 14        |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | Sept. 14        |
| CORN   | Accent          | .67 oz            |                  | I                | \$17.89           | June 13         |
|  | Marksman        | 1 qt/Acre         |                  | I                | \$ 6.50           | June 13         |
|  | Penetrate II    | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | June 13         |
|  | Banvel          | .5 pt/Acre        | .58 l/ha         | II               | \$ 4.65           | July 13         |
| FALLOW                                       | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | June 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | August 18       |
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-CORN-SUNFLOWER-FALLOW</b> |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| WHEAT  | Banvel          | 4 oz              | .29 l/ha         | III              | \$ 2.56           | April 5         |
|  | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 1/2 pt/Acre       | .58 l/ha         | III              | \$ .67            | April 5         |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | April 5         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | August 18       |
|  | Command 4 EC    | 1.0 Pints/A       | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$11.31           | Sept. 14        |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1.0 Pints/A       | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$ 1.58           | Sept. 14        |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt /100 gal     | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | Sept. 14        |
| CORN   | Accent          | .67 oz            | .05 l/ha         | I                | \$18.76           | June 13         |
|  | Marksman        | 1 qt/Acre         | 2.34 l/ha        | I                | \$ 6.28           | June 13         |
|  | Penetrate II    | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | June 13         |
|  | Banvel          | .5 pt/Acre        | .58 l/ha         | II               | \$ 4.51           | July 13         |
| SUNFLOWER                                    | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | June 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | July 13         |
| FALLOW                                       | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | April 5         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | June 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | August 18       |

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**ROTATION: OPPORTUNITY CROPPING**

|       |                 |              |           |     |          |          |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|-----|----------|----------|
| WHEAT | Banvel          | 4 oz         | .29 l/ha  | III | \$ 2.56  | April 5  |
|       | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 1/2 pt/Acre  | .58 l/ha  | III | \$ .67   | April 5  |
|       | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal | .2 l/ha   | III | \$ .44   | April 5  |
|       | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre   |           |     |          |          |
|       | Command 4 EC    | 1.0 Pints/A  | 1.17 l/ha | I   | \$ 11.31 | Sept. 14 |
|       | Atrazine 4L     | 1.0 Pints/A  | 1.17 l/ha | I   | \$ 1.58  | Sept. 14 |
|       | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal | .2 l/ha   | III | \$ .44   | Sept. 14 |

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Weed Pressure Ratings:            I = High Weed pressure -Farmer would need to spray  
   II = Medium Weed pressure - Farmer would delay spray application  
   III = Low Weed pressure -Farmer would not plan a spray application

NOTE: Atrazine and Command herbicides applied at 75 % of the rate on sideslopes.

\* \* Cyclone was applied by a shielded sprayer for target grasses within the inter-row.

Table 2. Herbicide rate, cost and date applied at STRATTON SITE in 1995 Season.

| Rotation<br>crop                             | Herbicide       | Rate<br>[English] | Rate<br>[Metric] | Weed<br>Pressure | Herbicide<br>cost | Date<br>Applied |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-FALLOW</b>                |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| WHEAT  | Banvel          | 4 oz              | .29 l/ha         | III              | \$ 2.56           | April 5         |
|  | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 1/2 pt/Acre       | .58 l/ha         | III              | \$ .67            | April 5         |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | April 5         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | Aug. 17         |
|  | Command 4 EC    | 1 pt/A            | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$ 11.31          | Sept. 13        |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1 pt/A            | 1.75 l/ha        | I                | \$ 1.58           | Sept. 13        |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | Sept. 13        |
| FALLOW                                       | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | July 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | Aug. 17         |
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-CORN-FALLOW</b>           |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| WHEAT  | Banvel          | 4 oz              | .29 l/ha         | III              | \$ 2.56           | April 5         |
|  | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 1/2 pt/Acre       | .58 l/ha         | III              | \$ .67            | April 5         |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | April 5         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | Aug. 17         |
|  | Command 4 EC    | 1 pt/A            | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$ 11.31          | Sept. 13        |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1 pt/A            | 1.75 l/ha        | I                | \$ 1.58           | Sept. 13        |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | Sept. 13        |
| CORN   | Prowl           | 1.0 Qts/Acre      | 2.34 l/ha        | I                | \$ 6.61           | April 5         |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1.0 Qts/Acre      | 2.34 l/ha        | I                | \$ 3.16           | April 5         |
|  | Banvel          | .5 pt/Acre        | .58 l/ha         | II               | \$ 5.13           | July 13         |
| FALLOW                                       | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | July 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | Aug. 17         |
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-CORN-SUNFLOWER-FALLOW</b> |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| WHEAT  | Banvel          | 4 oz              | .29 l/ha         | III              | \$ 2.56           | April 5         |
|  | 2,4-D amine     | 1/2 pt/Acre       | .58 l/ha         | III              | \$ .67            | April 5         |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | April 5         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | Aug. 17         |
|  | Command 4 EC    | 1 pt/A            | 1.17 l/ha        | I                | \$ 11.31          | Sept. 13        |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1 Pt/A            | 1.75 l/ha        | I                | \$ 1.58           | Sept. 13        |
|  | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | Sept. 13        |
| CORN   | Prowl           | 1.0 Qts/Acre      | 2.34 l/ha        | I                | \$ 6.61           | April 5         |
|  | Atrazine 4L     | 1.0 Qt's/Acre     | 2.34 l/ha        | I                | \$ 3.16           | April 5         |
|  | Banvei          | .5 pt/Acre        | .58 l/ha         | II               | \$ 5.13           | July 13         |
| SUNFLOWER                                    | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | June 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | July 13         |
| FALLOW                                       | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | July 13         |
|  | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | Aug. 17         |

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**ROTATION: OPPORTUNITY CROPPING**

|              |                        |                     |                  |            |                 |                 |
|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>WHEAT</b> | <b>Banvel</b>          | <b>4 oz</b>         | <b>.29 l/ha</b>  | <b>III</b> | <b>\$ 2.56</b>  | <b>April 5</b>  |
|              | <b>2,4-D Amine 4lb</b> | <b>1/2 pt/Acre</b>  | <b>.58 l/ha</b>  | <b>III</b> | <b>\$ .67</b>   | <b>April 5</b>  |
|              | <b>X-77</b>            | <b>1 qt/100 gal</b> | <b>.2 l/ha</b>   | <b>III</b> | <b>\$ .44</b>   | <b>April 5</b>  |
|              | <b>Landmaster BW</b>   | <b>40 oz/Acre</b>   | <b>2.9 l/ha</b>  | <b>I</b>   | <b>\$ 5.88</b>  | <b>Aug. 17</b>  |
|              | <b>Command 4 EC</b>    | <b>1 pt/A</b>       | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b>I</b>   | <b>\$ 11.31</b> | <b>Sept. 13</b> |
|              | <b>Atrazine 4L</b>     | <b>1 pt/A</b>       | <b>1.75 l/ha</b> | <b>I</b>   | <b>\$ 1.58</b>  | <b>Sept. 13</b> |
|              | <b>X-77</b>            | <b>1 qt/100 gal</b> | <b>.2 l/ha</b>   | <b>III</b> | <b>\$ .44</b>   | <b>Sept. 13</b> |

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**Weed Pressure Ratings:**

- I = High Weed pressure - Farmer would need to spray
- II = Medium Weed pressure - Farmer would delay spray application
- III = Low Weed pressure - Farmer would not plan a spray application

**NOTE:** Atrazine and Command herbicides applied at 75 % of the rate on sideslopes.

Table 3. Herbicide rate, cost and date applied at WALSH SITE in 1995 Season.

| Rotation<br>Crop                      | Herbicide       | Rate<br>[English] | Rate<br>[Metric] | Weed<br>Pressure | Herbicide<br>Cost | Date<br>Applied |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT FALLOW</b>         |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| <b>WHEAT</b>                          | Ally            | 1/10 oz/Acre      | 7 g/ha           | III              | \$ 2.80           | March 23        |
|                                       | X-77            | 1 qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          | III              | \$ .44            | March 23        |
|                                       | Landmaster BW   | 54 oz/Acre        | 3.94 l/ha        | I                | \$ 7.93           | July 28         |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | August 30       |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 8 oz/Acre         | .6 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | August 30       |
|                                       | Command EC      | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ ha      | I                | \$11.31           | August 30       |
|                                       | Atrazine 4L     | 8 oz/Acre         | .6 l/ha          | I                | \$ .79            | August 30       |
| <b>FALLOW</b>                         | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | March 31        |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | April 7         |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 4 oz/Acre         | .3 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | April 7         |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ ha      | I                | \$ 4.85           | June 12         |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 4 oz/Acre         | .3 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | June 12         |
|                                       | Landmaster BW   | 54 oz/Acre        | 3.94 l/ha        | I                | \$ 7.93           | July 28         |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | August 30       |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 8 oz/Acre         | .6 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | August 30       |
| <b>ROTATION: WHEAT-SORGHUM-FALLOW</b> |                 |                   |                  |                  |                   |                 |
| <b>WHEAT</b>                          | Ally            | 1/10 oz/Acre      | 7 g/Acre         | III              | \$ 2.80           | March 23        |
|                                       | X-77            | 1 Qt/100 gal      | .2 l/ha          |                  | \$ .44            | March 23        |
|                                       | Landmaster BW   | 54 oz/Acre        | 3.94 l/ha        | I                | \$ 7.93           | July 28         |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | August 30       |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 8 oz/Acre         | .6 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | August 30       |
|                                       | Atrazine 4L     | 8oz/Acre          | .6 l/ha          | I                | \$ .79            | August 30       |
| <b>SORGHUM</b>                        | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | April 7         |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 4 oz/Acre         | .3 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | April 7         |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | May 19          |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 4 oz/Acre         | .3 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | May 19          |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | June 12         |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 4 oz/Acre         | .3 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | June 12         |
|                                       | Milopro         | 9.6 oz/Acre       | .7 l/ha          | I                | \$ 2.37           | June 12         |
|                                       | Banvel          | 4 oz/Acre         | .29 l/ha         | I                | \$ 2.56           | July 28         |
|                                       | 2,4-D Amine 4lb | 4 oz/Acre         | .29 l/ha         | I                | \$ .67            | July 28         |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 6 oz/Acre         | .44 l/ha         | I                | \$ .55            | July 28         |
|                                       | ** Cyclone      | 1.25 pts/Acre     | 1.46 l/ha        | II               | \$ 5.56           | August 2        |
|                                       | Crop Oil        | 32 oz/Acre        | 2.34 l/ha        | II               | \$ 1.20           | August 2        |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 8 oz/Acre         | .6 l/ha          | II               | \$ .55            | August 2        |
| <b>FALLOW</b>                         | Landmaster BW   | 40 oz/Acre        | 2.9 l/ha         | I                | \$ 5.88           | March 31        |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ha       | I                | \$ 4.85           | June 12         |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 4 oz/Acre         | .3 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | June 12         |
|                                       | Landmaster BW   | 54 oz/Acre        | 3.94 l/ha        | I                | \$ 7.93           | July 28         |
|                                       | Roundup         | 16 oz/Acre        | 1.17 LI/ ha      | I                | \$ 4.85           | August 30       |
|                                       | Activator 90    | 8 oz/Acre         | .6 l/ha          | I                | \$ .55            | August 30       |

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**ROTATION: WHEAT-SORGHUM-SORGHUM2-FALLOW**

|                 |                        |                      |                  |            |                |                  |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>WHEAT</b>    | <b>Ally</b>            | <b>1/10 oz/Acre</b>  | <b>7 g/Acre</b>  | <b>III</b> | <b>\$ 2.80</b> | <b>March 23</b>  |
|                 | <b>X-77</b>            | <b>1 qt/100 gal</b>  | <b>.2 l/ha</b>   |            | <b>\$, .44</b> | <b>March 23</b>  |
|                 | <b>Landmaster BW</b>   | <b>54 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>3.84 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 7.93</b> | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>August 30</b> |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>8 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.6 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>August 30</b> |
|                 | <b>Atrazine 4L</b>     | <b>8 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.6 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .79</b>  | <b>August 30</b> |
| <b>SORGHUM</b>  | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>April 7</b>   |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.3 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>April 7</b>   |
|                 | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>May 19</b>    |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.3 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>May 19</b>    |
|                 | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.3 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Milopro</b>         | <b>9.6 oz/Acre</b>   | <b>.7 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 2.37</b> | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Banvel</b>          | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.29 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 2.56</b> | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>2,4-D Amine 4lb</b> | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.29 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .34</b>  | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>6 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.44 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>** Cyclone</b>      | <b>1.25 pts/Acre</b> | <b>1.46 l/ha</b> | <b>II</b>  | <b>\$ 5.56</b> | <b>August 2</b>  |
|                 | <b>Crop Oil</b>        | <b>32 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>2.34 l/ha</b> | <b>II</b>  | <b>\$ 1.20</b> | <b>August 2</b>  |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>8 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.6 l/ha</b>   | <b>II</b>  | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>August 2</b>  |
|                 |                        |                      |                  |            |                |                  |
| <b>SORGHUM2</b> | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>May 19</b>    |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.3 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>May 19</b>    |
|                 | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.3 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Milopro</b>         | <b>9.6 oz/Acre</b>   | <b>.7 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   |                | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Banvel</b>          | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.29 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 2.56</b> | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>2,4-D Amine 4lb</b> | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.29 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .34</b>  | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>6 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.44 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>** Cyclone</b>      | <b>1.25 pts/Acre</b> | <b>1.46 l/ha</b> | <b>II</b>  | <b>\$ 5.66</b> | <b>August 2</b>  |
|                 | <b>crop oil</b>        | <b>32 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>2.34 l/ha</b> | <b>II</b>  | <b>\$ 1.20</b> | <b>August 2</b>  |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>8 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.6 l/ha</b>   | <b>II</b>  | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>August 2</b>  |
|                 |                        |                      |                  |            |                |                  |
|                 |                        |                      |                  |            |                |                  |
|                 |                        |                      |                  |            |                |                  |
| <b>FALLOW</b>   | <b>Landmaster BW</b>   | <b>40 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>2.9 l/ha</b>  | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 5.88</b> | <b>March 31</b>  |
|                 | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>4 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.3 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>June 12</b>   |
|                 | <b>Landmaster BW</b>   | <b>54 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>3.84 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 7.93</b> | <b>July 28</b>   |
|                 | <b>Roundup</b>         | <b>16 oz/Acre</b>    | <b>1.17 l/ha</b> | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ 4.85</b> | <b>August 30</b> |
|                 | <b>Activator 90</b>    | <b>8 oz/Acre</b>     | <b>.6 l/ha</b>   | <b> </b>   | <b>\$ .55</b>  | <b>August 30</b> |

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**ROTATION: CONTINUOUS ROW CROPS**

|                  |              |             |           |   |         |         |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|---|---------|---------|
| <b>CORN</b>      | Roundup      | 12 oz/Acre  | .88 l/ha  | I | \$ 3.64 | May 11  |
|                  | Roundup      | 16 oz/Acre  | 1.17 l/ha | I | \$ 4.85 | May 19  |
|                  | Activator 90 | 4 oz/Acre   | .3 l/ha   | I | \$ .55  | May 19  |
|                  | Exceed       | .88 oz/Acre | .06 l/ha  | I | \$10.03 | June 23 |
|                  | Accent       | .33 oz/Acre | .02 l/ha  | I | \$ 9.24 | June 23 |
|                  | Crop Oil     | 16 oz/Acre  | 1.17 l/ha | I | \$ .60  | June 23 |
| <hr/>            |              |             |           |   |         |         |
| <b>SUNFLOWER</b> | Treflan      | 20 oz/Acre  | 1.46 l/ha | I | \$ 5.47 | May 11  |
|                  | Roundup      | 16 oz/Acre  | 1.17 l/ha | I | \$ 4.85 | May 19  |
|                  | Activator 90 | 4 oz/Acre   | .3 l/ha   | I | \$ .55  | May 19  |
|                  | Poast        | 20 oz/Acre  | 1.46 l/ha | I | \$ 7.56 | June 23 |
|                  | Crop Oil     | 32 oz/Acre  | 2.34 l/ha | I | \$ 1.20 | June 23 |

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**ROTATION: OPPORTUNITY CROPPING**

|              |               |              |           |     |         |           |
|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|-----|---------|-----------|
| <b>WHEAT</b> | Ally          | 1/10 oz/Acre | 7 g/Acre  | III | \$ 2.80 | March 23  |
|              | X-77          | 1 qt/100 gal | .2 l/ha   |     | \$ .44  | March 23  |
|              | Landmaster BW | 54 oz/Acre   | 3.84 l/ha | I   | \$ 7.93 | July 28   |
|              | Roundup       | 16 oz/Acre   | 1.17 l/ha | I   | \$ 4.85 | August 30 |
|              | Activator 90  | 8 oz/Acre    | .6 l/ha   | I   | \$ .55  | August 30 |
|              | Atrazine 4L   | 8 oz/Acre    | .6 l/ha   | I   | \$ .79  | August 30 |

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**Weed Pressure Ratings:**

- I = High Weed pressure - Farmer would need to spray
- II = Medium Weed pressure - Farmer would delay spray application
- iii = Low Weed pressure - Farmer would not plan a spray application

\* \* Cyclone was applied by a shielded sprayer for target grasses within the inter-row.

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